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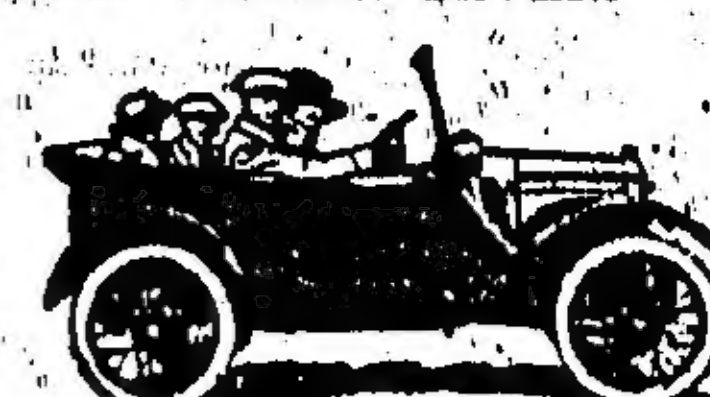
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## HALF PRICE WEEK AT WHITEAWAY'S SALE

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## WAR ON PIRATES. BRITISH STEAM LAUNCH COMMANDEERED. BLUEJACKETS INTERVENE. Six Junks Held Up and Ransacked.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Pakkai, Kongmoon, February 2.

As yet unconfirmed, a report has reached this port that one of H.M.'s West River flotilla has played an active part in the unceasing campaign against pirates in this part of the Canton River delta.

That a steam-launch flying the British flag and employed as consort to the Canton tow-boat had been "commandeered" and subsequently released through the intervention of a party of blue-jackets from the British gunboat at Pakkai, is the gist of the report to hand.

Details have not been forthcoming. It appears that the launch was boarded by some armed men who are alleged to have claimed military authority. It is not known if they were actually pirates. However, they surrendered possession when the sailors arrived.

Six junks travelling in company, with passengers and cargo, were held up at Tai Wong Po, near the boundary between the Heungshun and Sanwui districts and thoroughly ransacked.

In contrast to the North and East River districts, no political developments are expected here, but piracy is rampant and occurrences are being reported daily.

Following the sensational land attack by bandits on this port on China New Year Eve, when several Chinese were carried off for ransom and a robber was killed by his confederates, the small community has taken panic. Approximately seventy per cent. of the residents have fled and this prosperous outlet for Kongmoon appears desolately lonely.

A local resident who has returned from captivity in pirate hands states that the majority of

victims are accommodated in close proximity to civilisation, e.g., on a large plot of land in the middle of Chu Lin village. Although they are practically under no restraint, none of the unfortunate people dares to attempt escape as they are surrounded by small communities friendly to or in collusion with the outlaws. Then, again, Kong Mei is notorious as the pirates' market, a good many of the merchants here having reputations of being alleged "fences" for robbers. It is felt that a combined armed expedition comprising units from the local Chinese military and the British Navy would do much good. The razing of these places to the ground would hamper the movements of the pirates to such an extent that they would migrate.

## DR. SUN YAT-SEN.

HIS SON DUE AT PEKING  
YESTERDAY.

Beyond giving the figures for temperature and pulse of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, there is little of interest in the vernacular papers this morning.

It has been reported that Mr. Sun Fo (Dr. Sun's son and ex-Mayor of Canton) and General Li Lieh-chan, former Chief of Staff to the Canton Military Government, arrived at Tsingtao on February 1, and were due in Peking yesterday.

Mrs. Liu Chung-oi, wife of ex-Governor Liu, together with Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. Chan Su-pak left Canton on Friday afternoon and proceeded North by s.s. "President Jefferson" on Saturday morning from Hongkong, says the "Canton Gazette." Mrs. Liu, who is an old friend of the family, decided to go to Peking in order to be with Mrs. Sun, on whom the strain has fallen most heavily by the illness of her husband.

## RIVALS OUSTED.

LEUNG HUNG-KAI DIGS  
HIMSELF IN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PAKKAI, KONGMOON, February 2. General Leung Hung-kai, of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Cantonese Army and Director of the Sze Yap districts, has now finally established himself as the unchallenged "cock of the walk" in this part of the province.

He has gradually ousted all military detachments not directly under his banner.

Hitherto only two small batches were left at Sanwui City—under Commanders Tang Kong and Ng Chik-ill. The former has been given a civil appointment (Magistrate of Sze Wai, West River) and the latter has been transferred to Heungshan.

Failing to keep pace with the incessant demands for funds by Canton, it is reported that the Sanwui magistrate, Chan Wing-kai, a Kuomintang member, will resign.

The two Houses of the Swiss Parliament, in a joint sitting, have elected Dr. Mury as President of the Confederation for 1925.

## BEATEN TO DEATH

Bogus Stamp Revenue  
Detective.

COMPENSATION DEMANDED.

INFURIATED CAPTAIN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PAKKAI, KONGMOON, Feb. 2.

Shortly before China New Year a robber—one of several who tried to hold up a ship by posing as stamp revenue detectives—was beaten to death at Sanwui City by a hostile crowd, who was prepared for extreme measures because the tax was considered excessive and robbery was the white evil.

Deceased, as reported in the "China Mail" at the time, was subsequently identified as a non-commissioned officer in the army. The captain of his company has since marched his troops to the spot where the riot took place and blocked all progress pending the payment of substantial compensation.

It has been reported that the local Chamber of Commerce parted with no less than \$30,000 before the infuriated captain would withdraw.

The tax referred to is a comparatively new imposition, necessitating the affixing of revenue stamps in

## QUEER HOAX.

PET MONKEY AS "ARMED ROBBER."  
FOUND UNDER A BED.

Unexpected Thrill for Detectives.

Home papers arriving during the last fortnight have given much prominence to the "cat" burglar who has proved a terror to Mayfair residents. Not to be behind the times, Hongkong has stepped into line by having an even bigger thrill—a "monkey" armed robber.

Yesterday, the officials at the Central Police Station were summoned to a house in Paddy's Market where, so the report went, an armed robbery was in progress. A posse of detectives—Chinese in charge of Europeans—held in readiness to cope with serious crime of this class, dashed down along Hollywood Road, each man instinctively feeling for his revolver to make sure that it would work at the required moment.

An inmate of No. 7, Tung Street (first floor)—leading up from Queen's Road into Paddy's Market and part of the famous locality itself—had started the alarm by feverishly blowing a police whistle on the verandah. People in an opposite flat had the presence of mind to inquire what had happened, and the whistle-blower replied "armed robbers." As a result of this conversation in stage whispers, a telephone mes-

sage was sent through to the Central Police Station and the detectives arrived post haste. When, on entering the "danger zone" and on being informed that the robber was still making a noise under a bed in a cubicle, the police officers drew their revolvers. Receiving no answer to their challenge, the detectives surrounded the entrance to the cubicle, from which a terrific din was heard from the direction of a Chinese bed.

Detective-Sergeant Chan Pui (barracks sergeant at the Central Detective Office) rushed up to the bed and pulled the miscreant out. On seeing his capture for the first time, he shouted out to the occupants (who were busy giving a description of the robber they had seen) that he had captured a "miniature robber" and produced a pet monkey of the species usually seen in Hongkong.

Subsequently the monkey was traced to an adjoining medicine shop, whence it had escaped and climbed up into the cubicle. It had become entrapped in the motley array of pots and pans invariably found under a Chinese bed, and was kicking everything in its excitement to get free. Its efforts were put down as those of an "armed robber"—and that was how the fun started. Later the pet was returned to its owners, little the worse for the adventure, but ignorant of the fame thus achieved.

Sr W. Mitchell Thomson, Postmaster-General, in a written reply, gives the following details as a rough estimate of the work of the post office during the year ended March 31st:—Letters, 3,340,000,000; postcards 470,000,000; printed papers 1,615,000,000; news papers, 160,000,000.

Dr. Schmidt, Munich, claims to have found the cause of cancer.

## SOCIETY LEADERS AT CHARITY BAZAAR.



This photograph, taken at the Grosvenor House bazaar in aid of Queen Alexandra's Home for Disabled Soldiers at Roehampton, shows Lady Bingham, Lady Ribblesdale and Lady Abdy (left to right), examining some of the articles offered for sale.

## OPIUM PROBLEM.

AGREEMENT NOT YET IN  
SIGHT.

TRIBUTE TO INDIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, February 2.

At the sub-Committee of the Opium Conference to-day, the Indian delegation submitted a detailed note re-stating the Indian position.

Mr. H. B. Clayton declared that India was the only producing country which signed The Hague Convention and carried it out. India had reduced the per capita consumption of opium to a figure as low as, or lower than, European countries, and well below the figure agreed to by the Committee of experts as permissible.

The discussion continues to-morrow.

Another sub-Committee approved of articles dealing with the establishment of a permanent Central Board of Control.

JAPANESE EFFORT.

The Japanese delegate, Mr. Sugimura actively endeavoured to conciliate the British-American views with reference to fixing the date on which the effective prohibition of the use of prepared opium in Far Eastern territories should commence, and on which an agreement was not reached.

Mr. Sugimura yesterday lengthily conferred with Viscount Cecil, and also with the French delegation.

Apparently no side is disposed to yield up to the present, and pessimism therefore prevails again.

The outcome of to-morrow's Committee meeting is uncertain, but it is believed that Mr. Rorer, the American Delegate, is anxious to save the fruits of the second Opium Conference.

business records. Detectives have made themselves obnoxious by their methods in insisting on examining receipt books in public. Yesterday the "China Mail's" Canton correspondent reported that the Canton (Chinese) Chamber of Commerce had petitioned the Civil Governor to rescind the tax.

## COMMUNISTS IN JAVA.

ENCOUNTER WITH POLICE  
NEAR BATAVIA.

ONE FATALLY SHOT.

SIX POLICEMEN WOUNDED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BATAVIA, February 2. Communist disturbances have occurred near Batavia, Java.

The police shot one and others were seriously injured.

Six of the police were wounded in the encounter.

CHARGES AGAINST  
BANISHEE.

STOLEN, AMMUNITION AND  
ARMS.

REVOLVER IDENTIFIED.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, an unemployed seaman was charged with unlawful possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition, and with receiving the arms knowing them to have been stolen. A further charge of returning from banishment was also preferred against him.

The revolver found in the possession of the man was the one which was recently lost by Mr. Walter Webb, as stated in a Police report. Mr. Webb, who is shortly leaving the Colony, gave formal evidence of the loss of the weapon.

The case was adjourned.

## HOW YOU CAN WIN MOTOR CAR FREE.

Further Facts About Great Popularity Campaign.

This is a Popularity Campaign. It is an effort on the part of the "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald" to discover who are the most popular people in the Colony.

How popular are you yourself? How popular is your best friend?

Are you afraid of the answer? If so, don't enter the Campaign.

If you are anxious to put the question to the test, enter the Campaign without delay!

You can either nominate yourself and work hard for your own election, or nominate a friend and help to gain his or her election, by securing the votes of all your friends as well as pledging your own vote.

And what about the prizes?

The prizes are an added incentive which will be given to those nominees having the largest number of votes at the close of the Campaign on April 4th. If you want a prize yourself, vote for yourself. If you want your best friend to win a prize, vote for him.

It sounds simple, doesn't it? It is simple. Just as simple as it sounds.

It is merely a question of seeing how many good friends you have, who are willing to work on your behalf, who are willing to vote for you or your nominee, and who are willing to see that their friends also vote on the official coupon.

THREE COUPONS.  
Which brings us to the subject of the coupons.

On another page of this edition will be found three coupons. Cut them out! They are valuable!

The first coupon is the nomination coupon. You can either nominate yourself, or nominate anyone whom you choose. Each nomination coupon, providing that it is the first to be received

for a nominee, will entitle him to 5,000 votes.

The second coupon is the daily vote coupon and will entitle the contestant to fifty votes.

The third coupon—and by far the most valuable—will entitle the contestant to receive 50,000 votes, providing that it is the first coupon which the contestant receives and providing also that it is accompanied by the first subscription for \$36.00 whose votes are to be accredited to the contestant.

CALL AT OFFICE.

All those interested are requested to call at the office of the Campaign Department, Room "F," 34, Queen's Road, corner of Queen's Road and Wyndham Street. There the Campaign Manager and the Campaign Representatives are only too glad to give full explanations regarding the plan and to render all assistance possible. The Campaign Department is open every day except Saturday and Sunday, until 6 p.m., and on Saturday until 12.30 p.m.

SPECIAL VOTE OFFER.

During the first period of the Campaign and ending at 12 noon, February 21st, there will be a Special Ballot of 500,000 extra votes given for each total of \$100.00 Subscription money turned in by a candidate.

This may be repeated as many times as a candidate turns in \$100.00 in subscription money. This is in addition to all other votes given on subscriptions. It is, positively, the greatest vote offer of the Campaign and never again will subscriptions count so much as now. A little extra effort on the part of a candidate at this time will mean much toward winning a Motor Car or one of the other valuable prizes.

Start to-day so that your efforts may be crowned with Success.

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Gruyere - Suisse cheese, genuine Roquefort cheese, olives, Lyon sausage, and Arles sausage.

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## FURNITURE AUCTIONS

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**TUESDAY AND FRIDAY**

**L. E. S. HODGE,**  
Auctioneer.

## CONGRATULATIONS.

I hereby state that my relative Mr. Wong Pak Kan, a retired Singapore merchant, returned to Canton in August last year with his family with the intention of visiting his relatives and has since resided at No. 18 King King Street, Western District, Canton. He is expected last month a man suddenly rushed into his house accompanied by several others dressed in uniforms and threatened Mr. Wong with arms and demanded that he should sign a promissory note on the security of his ancestors' estate. He then prevented members of the family from leaving the house to obtain assistance.

However on the 29th, with owing to the neglect of those guarding him, Mr. Wong escaped with his grandsons Wong Lai and the British Consul at Canton, leaving his wife Wong Leung and his children behind. Owing to the influence of the British Consul General the Chinese authorities obtained the release of Mrs. Wong.

Mr. and Mrs. Wong with their family only required their freedom through the kindness of the British Consul General and I, Ho Fung-tung, a relative of Mr. Wong being grateful, wish to inform the public of this matter, in order to express my thanks to the British Consul General.

(Signed) HO FUNG-TUNG,  
Hongkong, February 2nd, 1925.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. LEWIS ALBERT TOBIAS having by Mutual Agreement severed his connection with us, his Authority to Sign Our Name Per Procuration is WITHDRAWN from THIS DATE.

**JOSEPH GOULD & CO.,**  
Share and General Brokers.  
Hongkong, February 1, 1925.

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## HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong on **TUESDAY, the 7th February 1925, at 11 a.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1924.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 2nd February to the 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

**JOHN D. HUMPHREY & SON,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1925.

## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &amp; AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on **TUESDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, 1925, at noon**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, 23rd January, to Tuesday, 10th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**L. S. GREENHILL,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1925.

## THE HONGKONG, CANTON &amp; MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS** in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 44, Des Voeux Road, on **THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon**, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 6th February, to Thursday, 19th February, 1925, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**JOHN ARNOLD,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 14th January 1925.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on **SATURDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, 1925, at 11.30 a.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The Register of shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 9th February, to Saturday, the 21st February, 1925, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**A. H. BAILOW,**  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, February 2, 1925.

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## INTIMATIONS.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

## HONGKONG HOTEL

**THURSDAY January 29th**

**FRIDAY " 30th**

**SATURDAY " 31st**

**MONDAY February 2nd**

**TUESDAY " 3rd**

There will be no TEA DANCES

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## THE HONGKONG HOTEL

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## KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING

will be held

in

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL,**

**KOWLOON,**

on

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9th,**

at 6 P.M.

Members and Kowloon residents generally are cordially invited to attend.

**A. MORLEY,**  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1925.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

**February 25th 26th, 27th & 28th.**

The HONGKONG A. D. C. will present the great farcical comedy

**FRENCH LEAVE.**

Booking opens at Anderson's,

Monday, 9th inst.

Book early.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club

will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex on

**TUESDAY, February 10th, 1925,**

at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of confirming the resolutions passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 22nd January, 1925.

By Order of

**C. B. BROWN,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 2, 1925.

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

## THE DUNLOP RUBBER CO. (CHINA) LTD., hereby give notice of having removed their office to—

**Hongkong Hotel Annex Building,**

Second Floor,

(Entrance next door Hongkong Hotel—Des Voeux Road.)

Hongkong, 29th January, 1925

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**C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.**

Sanitary Engineers.

1st February, 1925.

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STORAGE space on Marine Lots with Godowns and Chinese House to Let from 31st December.

**W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD.,**

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Hongkong, November 3, 1924.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

## VESSELS DUE

**FROM HONGKONG**

Feb. 18.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

Mar. 5.—U.S.S.B. Saigon

**FROM SHANGHAI**

Feb. 9.—E. A. Banks

Feb. 18.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

**FROM SINGAPORE**

Feb. 3.—B. F. Patroela

Feb. 14.—B. F. Dardana

Feb. 21.—B. F. Astranax

Mar. 1.—B. F. Antioch

Mar. 1.—B. F. Theos

Mar. 1.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

Mar. 1.—B. F. Esmacur

Mar. 1.—B. F. Heleus

Mar. 1.—B. F. Phenix

Mar. 1.—B. F. Ector

Apr. 2.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

**FROM HAIPHONG**

Feb. 18.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

**FROM JAPAN**

Feb. 5.—B. I. Talmat

Mar. 12.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

Mar. 18.—R. K. Tjibomang

**FROM BOMBAY**

Feb. 21.—P. & O. Sundra

Mar. 1.—P. & O. Midia

Apr. 18.—P. & O. Sindia

**FROM JAV**

Feb. 1.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

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Mar. 6.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

Apr. 7.—J.O.J.L. Tjibomang

**FROM MANILA**

Feb. 18.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

Mar. 5.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

Mar. 17.—P. & O. Empress of Canada

Apr. 1.—P. & O. Empress of Russia

Apr. 1.—P. & O. Empress of Asia

May 1.—P. & O. Empress of Canada

May 1.—P. & O. Empress of Russia

May 1.—P. & O. Empress of Asia

June 3.—P. & O. Empress of Asia

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Feb. 18.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

Mar. 5.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan

**FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE**

Feb. 5.—B. I. Talmat

Feb. 17.—V. V. K. Tjibomang

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## NEW P. AND O. LINERS.

## FEATURES OF THE STEAMSHIP "RANPURA."

The directors of the P. and O. S. N. Company notify, through their agents in Bombay, Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co., that the "Ranpura," the first of the new P. and O. liners of the R. class to be completed, will arrive in Bombay on April 24, 1925, and will take the homeward mail sailing on May 9 in place of the steamer "China."

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Those passengers originally booked to proceed from Bombay by the "China" on May 9, are being allotted accommodation on the "Ranpura."

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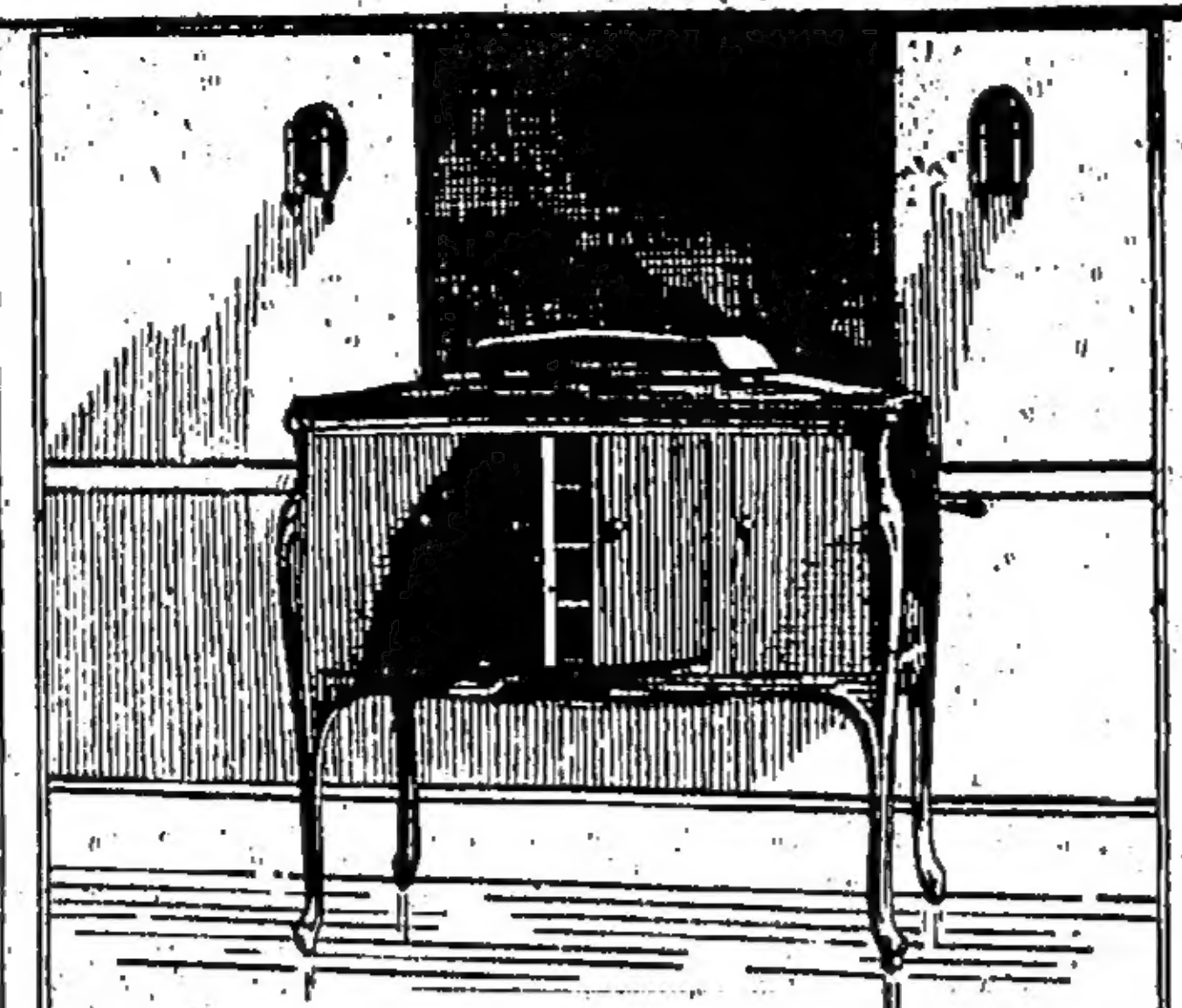
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### BIRTHS.

**GOLDENBERG.**—On February 3,  
at 4 a.m., at 94, Nathan Road,  
to Mrs. W. A. Goldenberg, a  
daughter.

**LIU.**—On January 19, 1925, at  
Kuling, to the wife of Y. Y.  
Liu, B.Sc., Anking, a  
daughter.

### MARRIAGE.

**ANDREWS—FUNK.**—On Janu-  
ary 19, 1925, at Foochow, H.  
Edwin V. Andrews, of the  
C.I.M., Chefoo, to Grace A.  
Funk, of the A.B.C.F.M.,  
Shaowuy Fukien.

Hongkong, Tuesday, February 3, 1925.

### PAYING THE PIPER.

While the public appears to be  
in entire agreement with the  
principal finding of the piracy  
committee minority report,  
namely that the onus of protect-  
ing British ships in the danger  
zone devolves upon His Majesty's  
Navy, some dissent seems to exist  
over the minor question of who  
shall bear the expense. The com-  
mittee itself keeps an open mind  
upon this point. Insisting that a  
system of naval patrols should be  
instituted at once, it remarks that  
if the Estimates for His Majesty's  
Navy do not permit of the  
immediate construction of these  
craft by the Navy, it is urged that  
the Hongkong Government might  
fittingly apply to this purpose the  
surplus shipping control funds as  
yet unappropriated to any parti-  
cular purpose, or if these are

unavailable for the time being, in  
the interests of the general trade  
of the Colony the Hongkong  
Government should accept  
responsibility. Doubtless the  
committee urged that the Hong-  
kong Government should accept  
responsibility, because it wished  
to anticipate the possible argu-  
ment that the required naval  
patrols could not be provided as  
the Estimates for His Majesty's  
Navy were inadequate for the  
purpose. We do not believe that  
the committee urged that the  
Hongkong Government should  
accept responsibility because it  
felt that the Colony should bear  
the expense of these naval patrols.  
Obviously if the protection of  
British shipping in the danger  
zone is "essentially a duty of His  
Majesty's Navy," the cost must  
also be part of the Navy's  
responsibility and should be met  
out of the Navy Estimates, which  
should be increased if they are  
not adequate for the purpose.  
But since, taking a leaf from the  
piracy committee's book, it is  
wise to anticipate all arguments,  
and since these naval patrols  
simply must be provided, whoever  
bears the expense, we would say  
that if the Hongkong Government  
finds itself faced with the final  
necessity of accepting the  
responsibility, it should make a  
lump payment, say from the  
surplus shipping control funds, as  
advocated by the piracy com-  
mittee, rather than institute a  
percentage levy which might in  
time become as big an evil as the  
military contribution. After all,  
much as the Colony wishes to see  
piracy eradicated, it does not  
desire to burden itself with a  
"naval contribution" which, once  
imposed, might be excessively  
difficult to dislodge, and might  
remain, long after local waters  
have become perfectly safe, an  
extremely unpleasant link with  
the past, a mild, but none the less  
exasperating, form of piracy  
itself.

### Boy Scouts Drive.

The "drive" for new members  
and a greater interest in the  
Scout movement on the part of  
the general public, which was  
recently organised by the Acting  
Commissioner, Mr. C. Champkin,  
would appear to have met with  
complete success. The January  
number of the Silver Wolf (the  
organ of the local Scouts) record-

ed increases in numbers and the  
formation of a new troop and  
continued progress is referred to  
in the current issue. The bungalow  
which the Government has put at  
the disposal of the Boy Scouts' Association (in Lower Albert  
Road, near the P.W.D. offices) is  
to be fitted out with a reading and  
social room, a library, and a  
museum of handicraft and used  
as a Headquarters, writes the  
Commissioner in the letter which  
prefaces the magazine. The place  
is to be decorated and furnished  
by the boys themselves, who will  
thus have a fine opportunity of  
displaying their ingenuity and  
skill. The intention is to have,  
among other things, a weekly talk  
to which will be invited people  
who can tell "good Scouting  
yarns or explain and practically  
demonstrate some feature, or  
other connected with proficiency  
badges." Numbers, too, have  
steadily increased, and another  
new troop which has been added  
to the Association, brings the  
number up to twenty (as com-  
pared with twelve last year). The  
formation of yet another is fore-  
shadowed by the Acting Commis-  
sioner, the fitting out of this with  
kilts and sporrans having been  
generously undertaken by Mr.  
R. M. Dyer. "Already, I under-  
stand," writes Mr. Champkin,  
"four boys are struggling gamely  
with bagpipes, but we can't help  
that!" Arrangements are being  
made for the teaching of Scottish  
dances and Highland games; but,  
first and foremost, is to come  
Scouting.

### Why Not a Stadium?

A timely reminder is given by  
a correspondent that in the com-  
ments in the "China Mail" on the  
general popularity of football in  
the Colony, as demonstrated by  
the enormous crowd of spectators  
at the interport match between  
Hongkong and Shanghai, little  
was said regarding the incapacity  
of the ground to hold so many  
people. It is an open secret that  
thousands were unable to obtain  
seating accommodation, whilst it  
is well known that the open spaces  
around the ground give wretched  
facilities for a proper view of the  
game. Moreover, there is another  
difficulty, namely, that of keeping  
the crowd within bounds. Ropes  
are utterly useless on such an  
important occasion, with the  
result that encroachments too  
near the actual playing pitch occur  
immediately the game commences.  
But the powers that be are help-  
less. In 1923 the very commend-  
able idea of a Stadium was pro-  
posed, and the project reached the  
stage of Articles of Association  
being drafted. Since then, how-  
ever, nothing has been heard of it.  
Has the scheme, like a great  
many more worthy projects, been  
buried for ever, or are there still  
hopes of something practical being  
done in the matter? If the answer  
be in the negative, it may be sug-  
gested that it is up to the Hong-  
kong Football Association to get  
busy and endeavour to acquire a  
site that can be converted into a  
proper football ground capable of  
accommodating all who wish to  
view the game in a comfortable  
manner. The pessimists may be  
ready with the excuse that there  
is no such area available, but  
surely with the razing of Morrison  
Hill and the rearrangement of  
grounds foreshadowed when this  
is completed, something could be  
done. There is good reason for  
believing that the Government  
was willing to assist in the project  
for a Stadium, and doubtless it  
would be found sympathetic  
toward any suggestions that may  
now be advanced for an enclosed  
football field in keeping with the  
importance of the sport and with  
the occasion of an interport match.  
Let the Football Association get  
busy and see what actually can be  
done without any further delay.

### HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

The following notifiable diseases  
were reported yesterday:—  
Smallpox, one (Chinese); enteric  
fever, two (one British, one  
Chinese); cerebro spinal fever,  
three (Chinese).

During the week ended January  
31 the number of notifiable dis-  
eases was as under:—

Smallpox, one (Chinese, fatal);  
diphtheria, four (two British—one  
imported—and two Chinese; one  
case fatal, enteric fever, three (two  
British and one Chinese, two fatal);  
cerebro spinal fever, one (Chinese).

Mr. K. W. Tribe, of H. M. Con-  
sular Service, arrived here from  
Shanghai by the "President Hayes"  
to meet his wife on her return from  
England. Mr. Tribe is proceeding  
to Foochow to take up the duties  
of Vice-Consul at that port, having  
been transferred thence from Han-  
kow, where he has been stationed  
for nearly three years.

### CHEFOO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Chefoo, January 22.  
Meetings in connection with  
the Universal Week of Prayer  
were held daily from January 5  
to 10. A meeting for foreigners  
was held every afternoon during  
the week, except Wednesday,  
when there was a large mass  
meeting of Chinese Christians.  
The meetings were all well attend-  
ed, the principal speakers being  
the Revs. McOwan, McCrea,  
Elterich, Nippons and George  
Andrew, sen.

The Chefoo Club's Christmas  
party for the community children  
took place on January 7, when the  
kiddies had a great time, each  
guest receiving a suitable present  
according to his or her age.

The Settlement again met the  
School at hockey on January 3,  
when the latter won by 7 goals to  
4. As the School were at one  
time leading by four goals to nil,  
the Settlement side are to be  
congratulated on their fine rally  
in the second half of the game.

The children's special service  
Mission are now holding their  
usual winter series of meetings.  
These commenced on January 10  
and will continue till about  
January 23. No one who has  
been to one of these cheery  
gatherings can doubt their popu-  
larity with the children, there  
having been good attendances at  
all the meetings so far. On  
Saturday, January 17, the chil-  
dren who had been attending the  
meetings during the week had a  
C.S.S.M. Party, where all  
thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Four Japanese destroyers en  
route to Lingtau paid us a short  
visit on January 3, leaving again  
the next day.

Mr. B. S. Stevenson, of Messrs.  
Butterfield and Swire, left here on  
January 1 for Shanghai en route  
to Hankow on transfer. Mr.  
Stevenson, during the time he has  
been in the port, has made him-  
self very popular to all and will  
be missed by both the Football  
and Hockey Clubs. Mr. Steven-  
son has been relieved by Mr.  
Akers.

The annual general meeting of  
subscribers to our local Inter-  
national Committee took place on  
January 21, when there was a re-  
cord attendance. Mr. A. H. Faers  
called the meeting to order  
promptly at the half hour, and the  
Rev. Paul Abbott was voted  
to the chair; Mr. Albert Rouse  
acting as Secretary to the meet-  
ing, and Mr. James Woo as inter-  
preter. The Chairman, in pro-  
posing the passing of the past  
year's report and accounts, made  
an excellent speech. He referred  
to the agitation for a stricter con-  
trol, and, if possible, elimination  
of the numerous bars and  
brothels which are opened up  
during the summer months owing  
to the U.S. Asiatic Fleet visiting  
the Port. These are completely  
under the control of the Chinese  
authorities, but, as Mr. Abbott  
strongly emphasised, a strong  
public opinion on the subject  
ought to be able to considerably  
influence them in deciding in  
favour of stricter supervision.

Mr. Abbott's address was re-  
ceived with applause, and on his  
motion being seconded by Mr.  
Mortensen, the report and ac-  
counts were unanimously passed.  
The ballot in connection with  
the electing of the new Com-  
mittee was then declared as  
follows:—Foreign Members.—  
Messrs. G. Matsunaga, A. H.  
Faers, C. W. Schmidt, J. S.  
Graham, J. H. Clarke, and Dr. F.  
Dilley;—Chinese Members.—  
Messrs. M. S. Yu, James Woo,  
C. A. Chun, T. S. Shun, C. A.  
Song, and Y. F. Chang.

Several important matters of  
local interest were brought for-

### A GUILD AFFAIR.

PROSECUTION THAT  
FAILED.

A charge of maliciously  
damaging the property of the  
Wong Nam tea-house at No. 365,  
Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on  
China New Year Day, and theft of  
\$45, was preferred against a young  
Chinese, believed to be a member  
of the Restaurant Guild, before Mr.  
E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon  
Magistracy yesterday.

It was alleged by the prosecution  
that the accused and some others  
entered the tea-house and  
damaged property owing to  
business being carried on on New  
Year's Day contrary to the  
regulations of the guild.

The prosecution failed to sub-  
stantiate the charge, and the  
accused, who was represented by  
Mr. C. A. S. Russ, was discharged.

### HOCKEY.

CLUB "A" V. ARTILLERY.

The following will represent the  
Hongkong Hockey Club "A" team  
versus 25th Heavy Battery, R.A.  
at Sockumpoo to-day at 5.10 p.m.  
sharp:—

A. Bower, L. H. Kearne, H. C.  
Nacnamara, L. R. Blacking, W. H.  
Lock, H. H. Rose, L. A. R. Duncan,  
G. R. Vallack, G. R. Stewart, W. G.  
Gerrard, and H. G. Gardner.

CLUB V. NAVY.

The following have been select-  
ed to represent the Club in the first  
of the triangular tournament  
matches for the Sim Shield against  
the Navy at the U.S.R.C. at 5 p.m.  
to-morrow (Wednesday):—

P. W. F. Mills, A. A. Dand, A. S.  
Hett, Rev. E. W. L. Martin,  
E. J. R. Mitchell (capt), L. P.  
Ralph, G. R. More, W. J. Wood-  
ward, G. J. Jones, E. L. Sim, and  
B. D. Evans.

ward and discussed. Among  
these was the request of the Cap-  
tain of the Local Volunteer Fire  
Brigade that the meeting of sub-  
scribers should sanction a grant  
of \$3,000 from the Committee's  
funds to be devoted to the ex-  
penses of the Fire Brigade during  
the coming year, and including a  
sum of \$1,000 already owing by  
the Fire Brigade on account of  
equipment, etc., already bought.  
A lively discussion ensued, but  
Mr. A. R. Hogg, the Fire Brigade  
Captain, eventually carried his  
motion. The grant was to in-  
clude a sum to be paid to one of  
the insurance companies, which  
had agreed to take the risk of  
insuring the fifteen foreign mem-  
bers of the Brigade against possi-  
ble accident, both temporary and  
permanent, and also to pay a fixed  
sum down in case of death.

The meeting closed with the  
usual votes of thanks.

Since I last wrote news has  
been received of the death in  
Canada of Mr. M. S. Green, a  
former scholar of the C.I.M.  
Schools here. Mr. Green, at the  
time he left China, about two and  
a half years ago, owing to de-  
veloping tuberculosis, was work-  
ing with Messrs. Reiss & Co. in  
Tientsin. I also regret to have to  
report the death at Chingwantao  
of Miss Jean Enright, the  
younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
J. A. Enright, of the Kailan Min-  
ing Administration, Chingwan-  
tao. Miss Enright, who was  
only 12½ years of age, was a  
pupil of the C.I.M. Girls' School,  
and at the time of her death was  
spending her winter holidays  
with her parents.

### ALI BABA.

The broker needs a roundelay:

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Who loves to roam the streets by day  
And haunt the bar by night.  
And whether shares have gone to "Hell,"  
Or prices soar sky-high  
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And if you haven't, buy."

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Indeed he might do worse  
While you relieve him of his scrip  
He kindly takes your purse.  
And all the charm, the honeyed wit  
Wherewith the deal is blent  
Is dirt cheap at the price of it—  
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To tracking to its furthest lair  
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To deal in shares take blame.  
Truth is a naked lady,  
Impervious to shame.  
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All day in Ice House Street,  
To know true modesty is found.



## BOMBAY OUTRAGE.

## ATTACK ON PROMINENT CITIZEN.

## IMPORTANT ARREST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bombay, February 2. The Indore Estates manager at Bombay, namely Malgan Kar, has been arrested in connection with the Malabar Hill case. He was remanded in custody after a preliminary hearing in camera.

[It was reported on January 13.—An outrage, the motive of which is unknown, was perpetrated in the Malabar Hill residential quarter yesterday evening, when a gang attacked a motor car containing Abdul Kadir Dawla, a wealthy citizen and a Mohammedan member of the Bombay Corporation, who was accompanied by a lady and his British manager. The firing attracted four British officers who rushed to the rescue. A lieutenant, although badly wounded, captured one of the assailants, while another, shooting off a revolver indiscriminately, to prevent pursuit, escaped. Abdul Kadir and the lady, who were seriously wounded, died of their wounds. The lieutenant and the British manager were admitted to hospital suffering from revolver and knife wounds.—Later messages stated that the object of the outrage by armed Pathans appears to have been the abduction of the woman, who is named Mumtaz Begum, and was originally attached to the Maharajah of Indore's durbar. She came to Bombay and met Abdul Kadir, and had refused offers to return to Indore. An application for police protection for Mumtaz Begum, on the ground that her life may be endangered when released from hospital, was granted. The Government of India sanctioned a reward of Rs. 10,000 for information, leading to the discovery of the instigators of the plot to kidnap Mumtaz Begum. Mumtaz Begum was taken into custody on January 14. He told the police that his wife was in possession of important documents relating to the Malabar Hill outrage on January 21. Reuter wired: Seven suspects have been arrested at Indore in connection with the Dawla murder case. They include a man said to be aide-de-camp to the Maharajah of Indore, a Sub-Inspector of the Indore Police, two state motor-drivers, a captain and another man serving in the Indore State Troops and a mounted policeman. The arrests in Bombay now total eight, including two step-uncles, and a step-aunt of Mumtaz Begum, whose mother has now arrived from Amritsar.]

## REPARATION COMMISSION.

## NEW BRITISH DELEGATE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, February 2. His Majesty the King has approved of the appointment of Baron Blanesburgh as principal British delegate on the Reparation Commission in succession to Sir John Bradbury.

Baron Blanesburgh will continue to be Lord of Appeal.

Baron Blanesburgh of Alloo (Sir Robert Younger) was Judge of the High Court of Justice from 1915 to 1919, and was a Lord Justice of Appeal from 1919 to 1923, in which latter year he was appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary.]

## AN OUTLAW CAMP.

## FORESTS TO BE EXPLOITED BY SYNDICATE.

## RETURNED EMIGRANTS' PLANS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PAKKEI, February 2. Known practically in the furthest corner of the Republic as the strongest and almost impenetrable outlaw camp in Kwang-sung, the Ku Tau Mountains are to be exploited in the near future by a syndicate of returned emigrants from America.

Abundant timber is to be found on these heights, and the syndicate proposes to open up the forests at Ku Tau and at the Yan Tak district.

With the rather impressive name of "Ng Tai Chow" (Five Great Continents), an iron steamer has been built for service between Ma-Lao-Chau (Macao) and Hoi An (Sunning).

A bureau has been formed at Kongmoon to collect a tax on imports of cement. The revenue will be devoted to defraying expenses for the University (i).

## FRENCH POLICY.

## VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN HERRIOT.

## MISSION TO VATICAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, February 2. In the course of the debate on the Foreign Estimates, the Chamber of Deputies approved by 314 votes to 250 (a majority of 64) of M. Herriot's policy in favour of the abolition of the Embassy at the Vatican, which was treated as a vote of confidence.

M. Herriot agreed to the inclusion in the Estimates of provision for a mission to the Vatican to represent Alsace-Lorraine, which has a special concordat to the Holy See.

[A Paris message of January 26 reported:—In the Chamber, M. Herriot stated that the Council d'Etat, which is the supreme tribunal of administrative law, was of opinion that the Franco-Vatican Concordat of 1801, which had been denounced by France in 1905, still applied to Alsace-Lorraine, where it was enforced by Germany after the war of 1870. The Government accepted this ruling, and consequently the Concordat would continue to be applied there. The Opposition is expected to make the most of the dilemma in which this ruling places M. Herriot, who is now faced with the paradoxical policy of withdrawing the all-France's Vatican representative and appointing a special representative for Alsace-Lorraine.]

## RUN-RUNNING.

## BRITISH VESSELS THE "CHIEF SINNERS."

## WHAT FIGURES REVEAL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, February 2. The interesting fact is disclosed in a Department of Justice report that, of 332 foreign vessels identified by Government agents as engaged in rum-running last year, 307 flew the British flag.

The Department, however, expresses satisfaction at the increasing disposition of foreign Governments to discourage organised efforts in contravention of American laws.

## GREEK PATRIARCH.

## TURKISH EXPANSION OF EXPULSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 2. Interviewed regarding the Greek protest against the expulsion of the Greek Patriarch, the Commissar of Foreign Affairs said that the Government intended to expel every one subject to the operation of the Exchange Convention. The Greeks could still appoint a Patriarch who was exempt from the stipulations of the Convention. Russia once used the Patriarchate for political purposes, and Turkey was not going to allow a repetition.

## ALLEGED THEFT.

## STORY OF SEVEN KNITTING MACHINES.

## TWO CHINESE CHARGED.

The alleged theft of seven knitting machines, valued at \$360 each, from the Wai San Knitting Factory at Causeway Bay, on January 16 was recalled at the Central Magistracy this morning when two Chinese were charged before Mr. J. K. Wood, and four of the machines were produced in Court.

Sub-Inspector Field, who prosecuted, stated that a man apparently concealed himself in the premises overnight, and got the machines out through the skylight into the alley way between the factory and the Jockey Club stables. On information received, witness proceeded to Canton, where, with the assistance of the Chief of Police, it was found that four of the machines had been sold to a dealer. The other three machines were not traced. The two accused, who are alleged to have travelled to Canton on the s.s. "Fatshan" on the night following the robbery and returned to Hongkong after the disposal of the machines, were later arrested in Yunnan.

The first accused pleaded not guilty.

The second accused tendered a plea of guilty, but denied that he actually stole the machines.

Both the accused were remanded until to-morrow morning.

## A TRAGIC END.

## SUICIDE OF EUROPEAN TAILOR.

## VERDICT AT INQUEST.

A Coroner's enquiry into the death of Mr. Frederick Charles Higgins, tailor, Ice House Street, was held at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. R. Wood sat as Coroner, and there was no jury.

As disclosed by the evidence, an Indian constable on duty on Kennedy Road at 7 a.m. on January 28 found Mr. Higgins lying on the road, near the black boulder, with blood coming from a wound in the head. He was unconscious. Clutched in his right hand was a revolver, two of the cartridges having been fired. Mr. Higgins died in the ambulance on the way to hospital.

Dr. C. W. McKenny stated in his evidence that death was due to fracture of the skull from bullet wounds, a shot, which entered in the right side, having gone through the head. It must have been fired from a short distance. The nature of the wound was consistent with the theory that it was self-inflicted.

Mr. William Philip Simpson, tailor, No. 32, Kennedy Road, testified to identifying the body of Mr. Higgins. Mr. Simpson spoke of the friendship which existed between him and the deceased. Since last September, Mr. Higgins, who lived with him, had scarcely worked at his trade, and appeared to be depressed. When witness saw him on Tuesday, the latter told him that he was "fed up" with things. Mr. Higgins kept a revolver and carried it about with him. Witness was at home on the night of January 27. At 1 a.m. he thought he heard Mr. Higgins returning home, but next morning found that his bed had not been slept in at all.

Mr. A. W. Hill, head bailiff of the Supreme Court, said that he took charge of the effects and stock of Mr. Higgins on January 28. The assets comprised four pieces of cloth and the shop fittings, which he valued at \$150. There was no cash. The liabilities amounted to about \$3,000.

At the end of the evidence the Coroner said that the facts were perfectly clear and pointed to suicide. He would record a verdict to that effect.

## DUTCH FILM.

## "HOLLAND" SCREENED LAST NIGHT.

## PROPAGANDA FILM.

Under the auspices of the Netherlands community in Hongkong, an interesting film, "Nederland," "Holland," descriptive of that country, its people, customs and industries, etc., was screened at the Helena May Institute last night. The screening of this film is being carried out in various parts of the world, mainly for propaganda purposes, the expenses entailed being met generally by the local Dutch community wherever it is shown. The "Vereniging-Nederland in den Vreemde"—one whose object is to distribute reliable information about Holland and her colonies, is responsible for the issue of the film, and to carry out their object the Association caused this typical Dutch film to be made for production in other countries.

Hongkong is the first place, in this area of the Far East (Japan and China), to be favoured with the film, it being sent here by the Legation in Peking. It is proposed to screen it in the Colony at least three times, and one of these exhibitions will be set apart for the benefit of the children. It will afterward be despatched to Amoy, and thence to other parts of the Far East.

Amongst those present at the Helena May Institute last evening were H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.), who was accompanied by his Private Secretary (Mr. T. J. Gaisford-St. Lawrence), the Consul-General for the Netherlands (Mr. M. J. Quist), the Hon. Sir Claude and Lady Severn, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., and Lady Pollock, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Commodore Stirling and Mrs. Stirling, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. Ho Kwong.

The picture proved both informative and entertaining.

It is estimated that Christmas bonuses amounting to at least \$40,000,000 (about \$8,000,000) were distributed by Wall Street firms, but some statisticians place the figure at \$75,000,000 (about \$15,000,000). The office boy, clerk, senior partner, and practically every worker in the financial district will share in what will be the greatest gift business has ever made to itself. Never before has Wall Street had so much means, or so much will, with which to reward its workers.

## CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

## SPLENDID RECORD OF WORK LAST YEAR.

## SOCIAL AND PHYSICAL ASPECTS.

Those acquainted with the work of the Y.M.C.A. and its scarcely necessary to read reports of that organisation, but to many people statements and figures are essential to ascertaining some intelligence of what has been accomplished as well as of the objects sought. Secretary Tsui Mo Fat has just sent to the National Committee in Shanghai the 1924 report of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hongkong, from which are gleaned some interesting facts.

Comparing this report with that of previous years it is noticeable that the Y.M.C.A. here is becoming more and more an extensive society, promoting its various activities far beyond the limits of the 3,000 Hongkong men and boys who comprise its membership, and gradually increasing its influence for good in the community. Evidence of this is found in the facts that in 1924 there was an increase in the number of students in the Daily Vacation Bible Schools, an effort carried on for a month in the summer, which enrolled 1,600 poor boys and girls in eleven different parts of the Colony, with 170 volunteer teachers; that the Association started four schools of the Popular Education Movement, offering free to illiterates of all ages a four-months' course in the study of 1,000 common Chinese characters; that the Association helped to raise part of the large sum of money, that was given by many classes of people to help alleviate the misery of the flood sufferers in Kwangtung and other provinces last summer; that educational lectures on civics, thrift, health and other practical subjects were delivered on 50 occasions to as many groups totalling 12,000 people in nine different parts of the Colony; that over 900 boys, non-members of the Association, were given free instruction in aquatics, about 600 of them learning to swim in three lessons during a special campaign last June; that physical tests to ascertain height-weight-strength of grip-lung capacity facts were given to more than 3,000 boys; as well as active participation with other organisations in various leagues, evangelistic campaigns, industrial welfare work, distribution of educational and inspirational literature, and other efforts.

In promoting its social activities, the 1924 records show that 50,000 people attended 244 different entertainments and socials under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. In the dormitories for business men and students away from home, 288 were roomers, either temporarily or permanently.

In its day school, evening school, special Summer school, popular educational schools, and educational clubs the Association enrolled 983 students during the year, thus making a large contribution to the educational status of the Colony.

Forty-two distinct groups in the study of standard Bible courses enrolled 289 students, whilst in the 98 meetings where Christian messages were presented a total of 18,600 people attended.

The physical equipment of the Association was also used to a large extent, 1,593 classes in the gymnasium and swimming pool and play-ground being conducted, enrolling 1,359 different men and boys (including students, young men, business men, servants, etc.) with a total attendance of over 76,000 for the year. A large number of the members evidently believe that "cleanliness is akin to Godliness," as the bath register shows that more than 30,000 baths were taken in the Association's shower rooms during 1924.

The total expense involved in conducting all departments of the Hongkong Chinese Y.M.C.A. last year was \$97,449. To cover this, \$91,286 was received through membership, educational, dormitory and other fees, the balance—\$6,163—being raised by popular subscription in Hongkong. This sum does not, however, take into account the fact that a very large proportion of the work of the Y.M.C.A. of Hongkong is carried on by free-will helpers, without drawing on the budget, the report showing that 978 volunteer workers, men and boys, assisted in the conduct of much of the effort in all departments.

The officers of the Association, newly elected for 1925, are: President, Dr. Chau Wai-cheung; Vice-President, Dr. Yeung Shiu-chung; Honorary Secretary, Wong Oi-tong; Honorary Treasurer, Wong Kwok-shuen.

The Hongkong Young Men's Christian Association is one of over 9,000 Associations in 43 different countries, with a total membership of nearly two million men and boys, conducting welfare work with nearly every class of humanity.

The Hon. Mr. Montague Edsall, lying very seriously ill at his residence. To-day's report states that his condition is unchanged.

## A LIVE ISSUE.

## APPEAL TO FULL COURT IN CHEQUES CASE.

## CHIEF JUSTICE AND THE JURY.

The whole of this morning session of the Full Court was occupied by the hearing of the appeal of Mr. F. C. Jenkin on behalf of the Tai Wo firm (in respect of whose monies the Bank of East Asia are appealing for a re-trial; they having been awarded the judgment when the case was heard last year).

The only one issue before the Court when Sir William Rees Davies gave his judgment last year, said Mr. Jenkin, was one which the Chief Justice refused to allow to go to the jury on the grounds that the signature which had been alleged to be genuine by the Bank had been proved to be not genuine and that counsel for the Bank was asking them to decide whether or not it had been put on with the connivance of Lau Shy-yang, the principal in the Tai Wo firm. If it had, it would, of course, have been binding on the Bank; but His Lordship had taken that matter out of the jury's hands on the ground that it involved a grave charge of conspiracy and fraud against the Tai Wo firm.

They were there this morning, said Mr. Jenkin, more or less to judge the decision of one who had held the position of trial judge in the Colony for twelve years, and he (Mr. Jenkin) by reason of the cause he represented was there to uphold his decision. He claimed that if any of the learned Judges making up the Full Court had been in the position of Sir William Rees Davies they would have felt bound to have adopted the same course.

It was towards the close of the morning's Session that Judge Sir Skinner Turner indicated to Mr. Jenkin that it was the view of the Court that the only point before them was whether or not there was a live issue before Sir William Rees Davies at the time that he directed the jury to return a verdict for the plaintiffs.

Mr. Jenkin had not completed his address on this point when the Court adjourned for the afternoon session.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., represents the Bank, being instructed by Messrs. Deacons, Harston and Shenton.

Mr. Jenkin is instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo.

The cheques concerned are for \$72,000.

The Full Court which is hearing the appeal consists of Sir Henry Skinner Turner from Shanghai, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, Chief Justice of Hongkong, and Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Puisne Judge.

## DEPORTED TO HONGKONG.

## J. GRIMBLE RETURNS TO SHANGHAI.

Joseph Grimbale was charged at H. M. Police Court, Shanghai, on January 27 with having returned to Shanghai after being deported to Hongkong by an order of the Supreme Court dated September 8, 1923.

Police evidence was that a warrant was issued for the arrest of the accused on September 4, 1924. He was found at the Isolation Hospital on October 20. At that time he was suffering from tuberculosis. The warrant was not executed and instructions were given that his arrest should be made on his discharge from hospital. On January 17, however, the accused left the hospital without the sanction of the authorities and was at large until his arrest was effected by the French police, when he was brought to the Central Police Station. He was taken back to the hospital where it was agreed by the doctor that accused was fit to appear in Court.

The Magistrate (Mr. King) said the only defence that accused was entitled to make was that he had permission to return to China from the Secretary of State. As that day was a holiday he ordered that the case be adjourned. In the meantime he allowed the accused to return to the Isolation Hospital.

## "ST. JOAN"

Advance booking for the gala performance in aid of St. Paul's Restoration Fund opens on Friday, the 6th inst, continuing until Saturday. General booking opens on Monday, the 9th inst. Those holding vouchers are advised to book early to secure good seats. It would be greatly appreciated if the ladies who have kindly undertaken the distribution of advance tickets would communicate with Mrs. Holyoak, (Tel. Peak 18) as to the number they have disposed of, not later than to-morrow evening (Wednesday, the 4th inst).

Vessels are reporting almost daily the presence of floating mines in the Channel, states a Boulogne message. The tug "La Liane" brought into this port a mine which she picked up six miles north-west of Gravelines.

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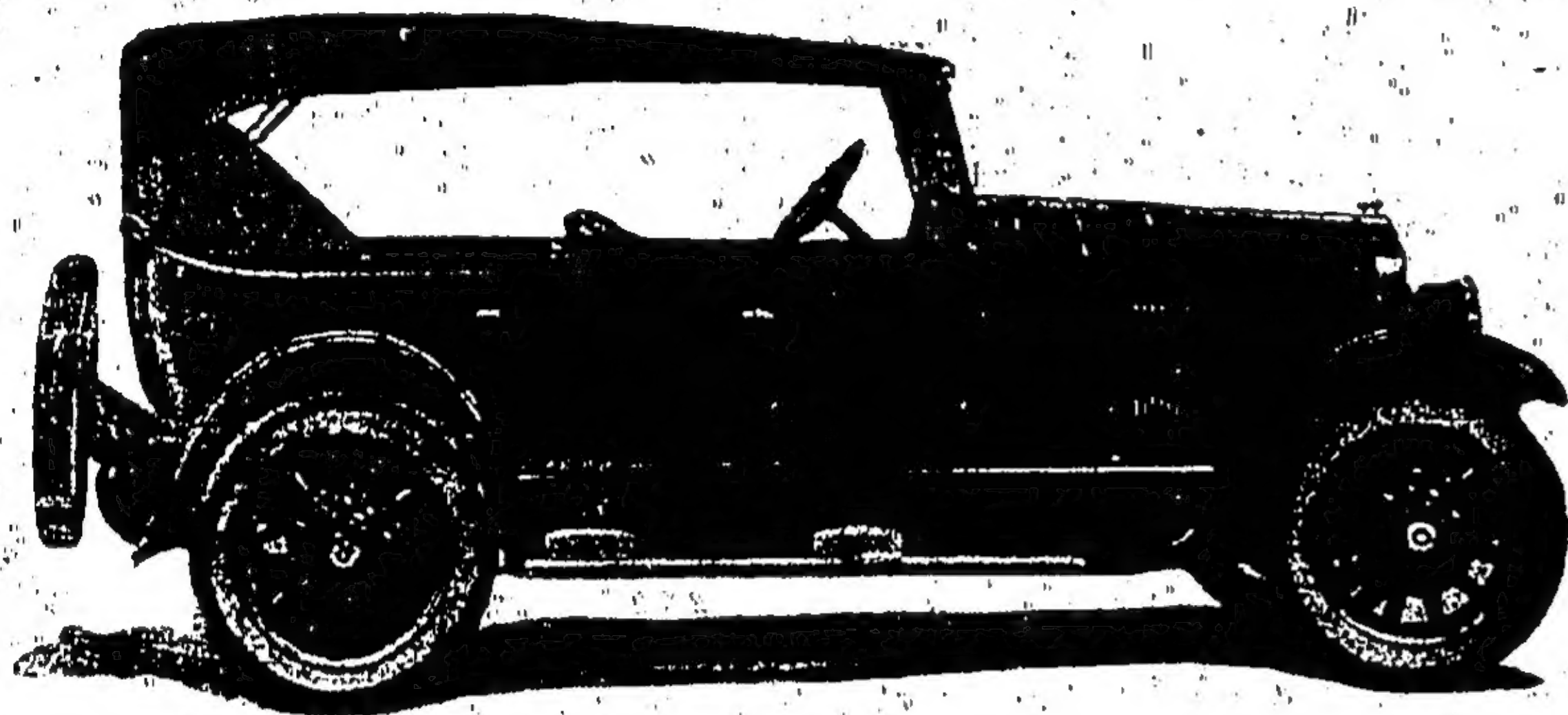
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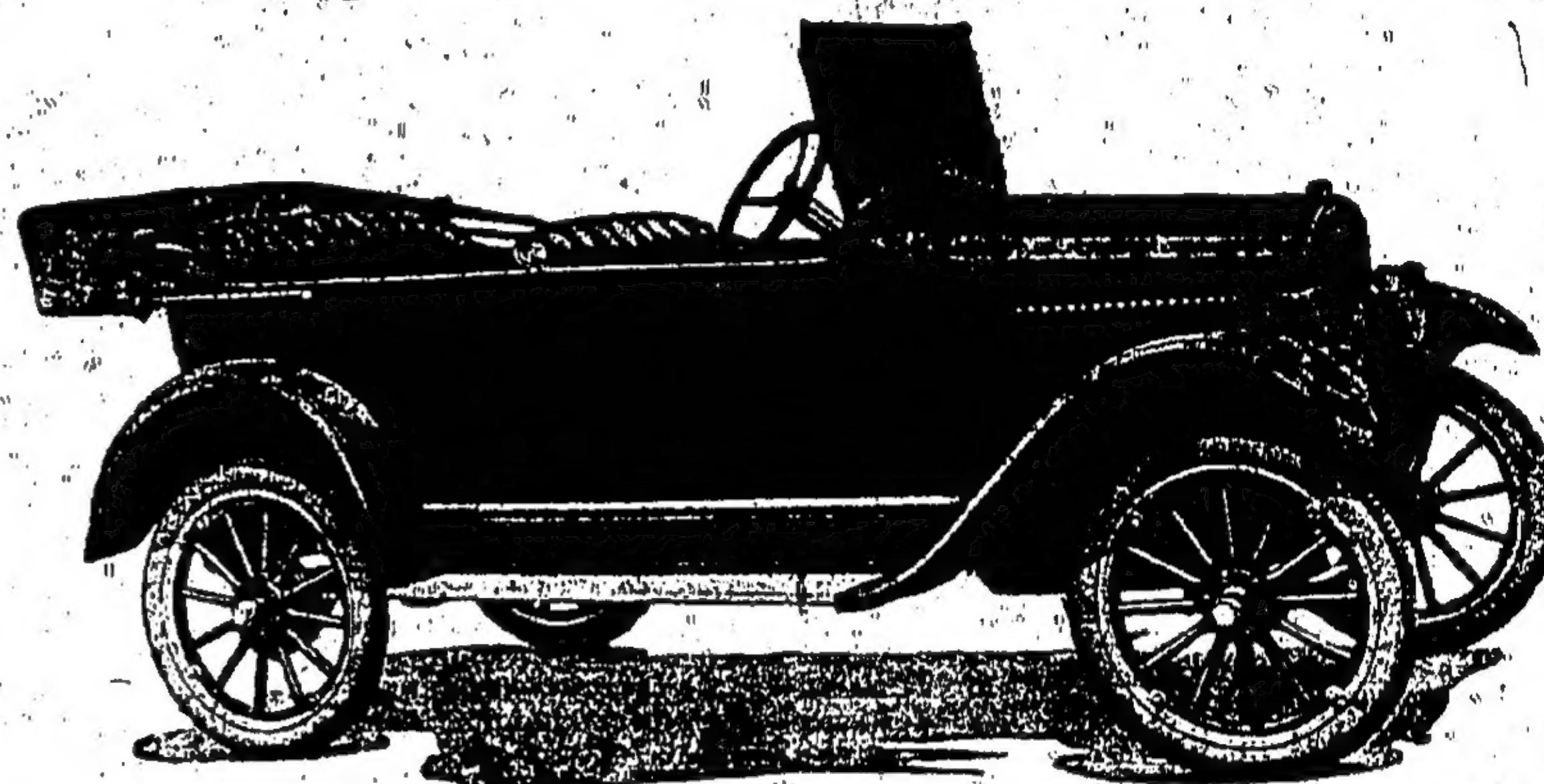
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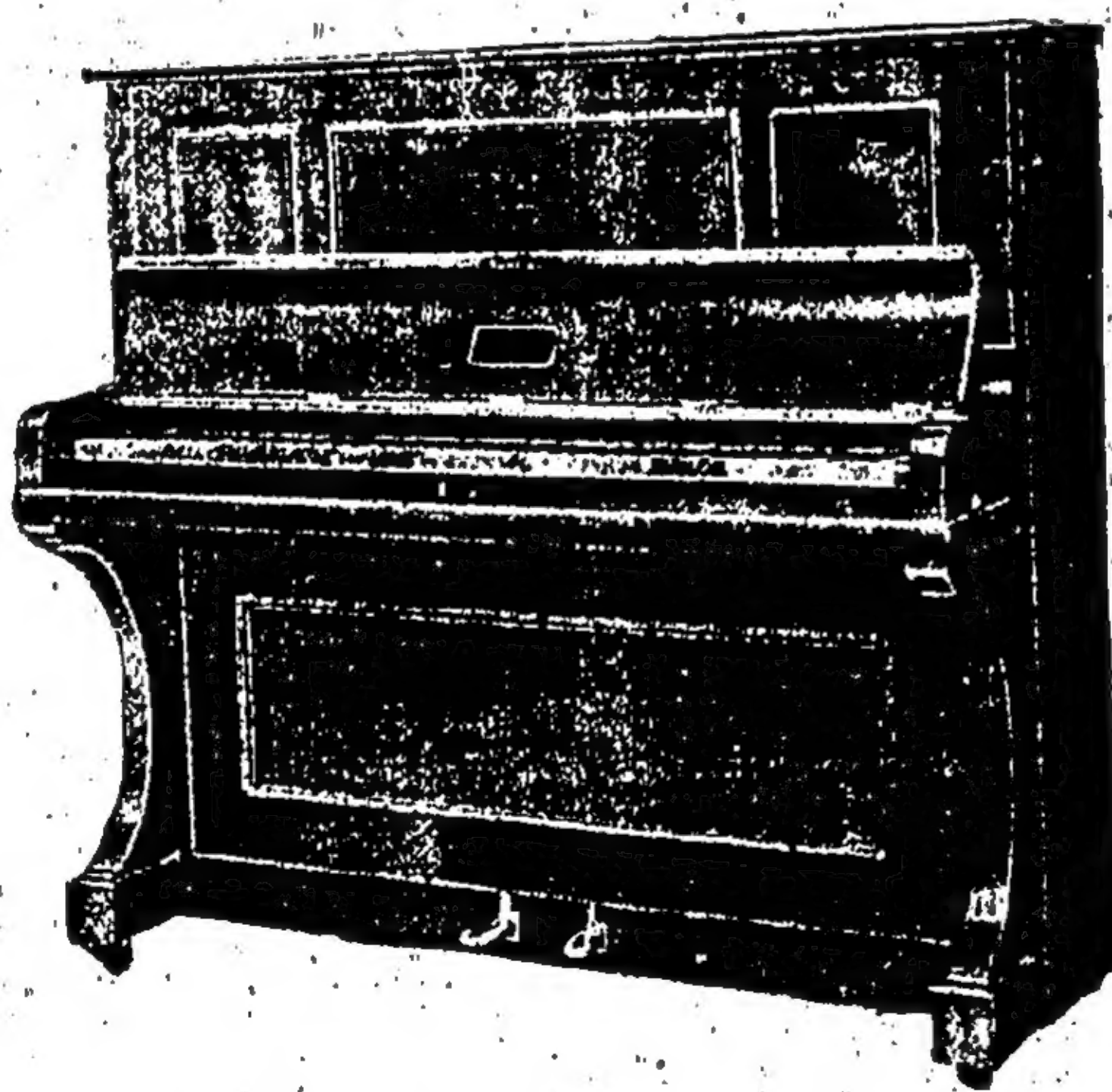
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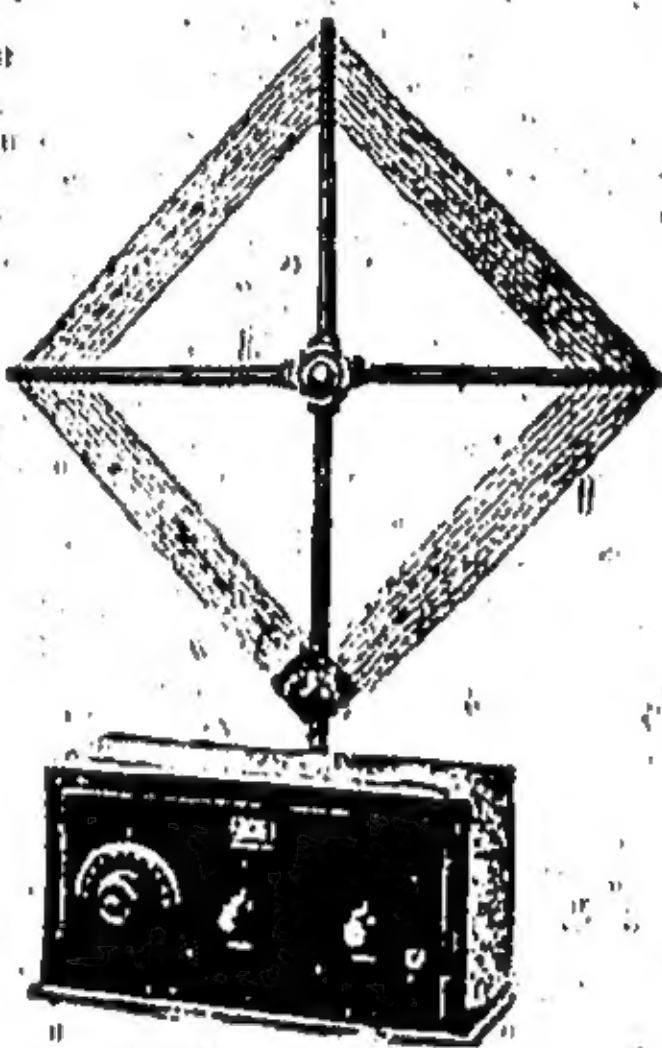
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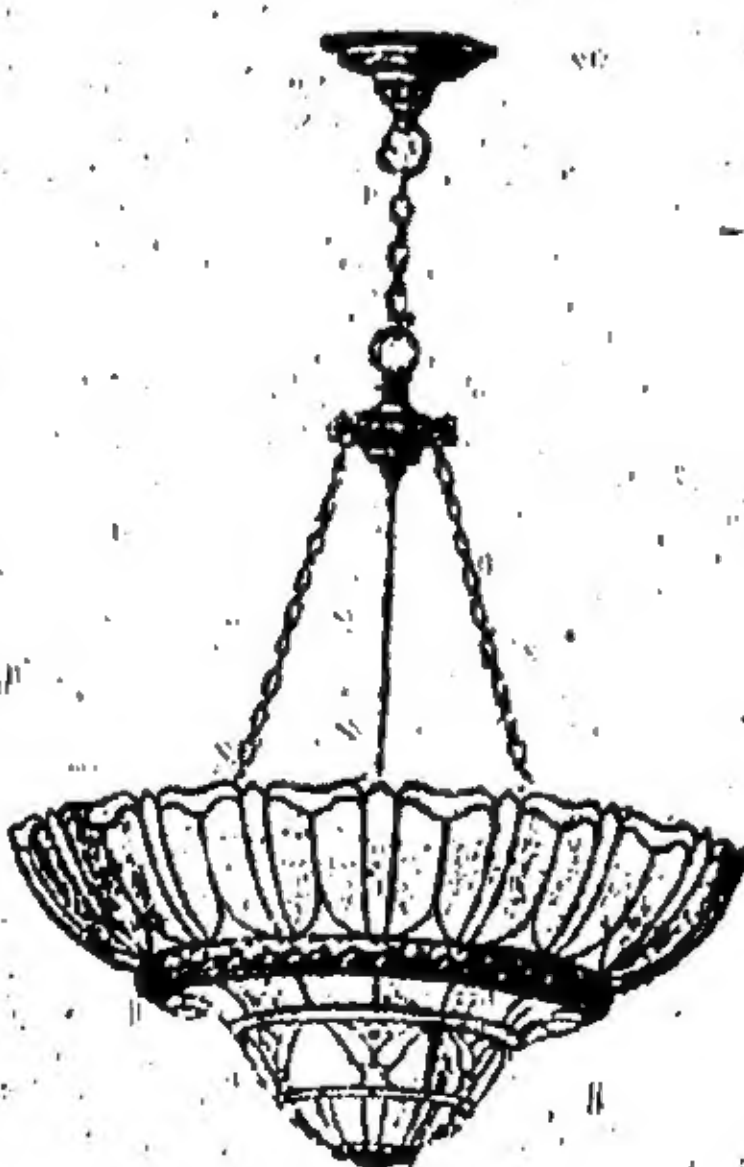
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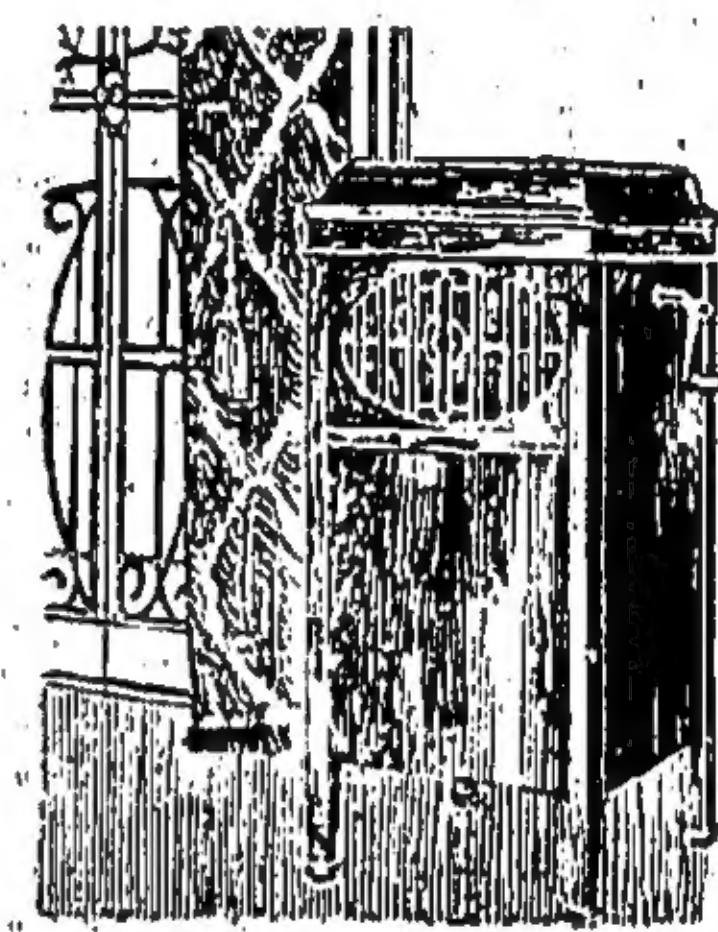
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At the close of the Campaign the votes will be counted by judges appointed by the members themselves. Each member is requested to select some prominent person to act as a judge. The judges so appointed will take charge of the ballot box and carry it to a public place where the votes will be counted and the prizes awarded in full view of the public.

With a little effort and a few minutes' work each day one of these beautiful prizes may be yours. Take advantage of every special credit offer. Watch the stories that are published each day, as they will take up many interesting points regarding the Campaign.

Any questions or controversies that may arise are to be settled by the Campaign Manager and his decision shall be final and conclusive.

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Alleged to be concerned in an armed robbery on a junk on January 22, a watchman named Wong Kiu is now in the custody of the Police.

A Chinese married woman living at No. 2, Nam Hong Street, Kowloon City, reports the loss of three \$100 notes which she had placed in a niche in the wall used as a deposit vault.

"Nirvana" will be the subject of this week's Public Lecture of the Hongkong Lodge. The Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday February 4, at 5.45 p.m. The public are invited.

Two old houses in Wuhu Street, Hunghom, collapsed yesterday, burying seven persons. The Police and the Fire Brigade arrived promptly on the scene, and effected rescue work. All the people were recovered alive, and sent to hospital with minor injuries.

A small fire broke out yesterday in the ground floor of No. 371, Reclamation Street, occupied by the Tai Sang grocery shop. The outbreak, which later spread to the upper floor of the premises used as a dwelling, was extinguished by the Fire Brigade. The extent of the damage is not known.

A dog belonging to a Chinese lady living at No. 16, Morrison Hill Gap Road was taken to Kennedy Town for observation. The animal is reported to have bitten Mr. J. Ackner on Sunday. Another dog belonging to Mr. Forster of the Asiatic Petroleum Company's installation at Shamshui is reported to have bitten Mr. J. Tully of the same company. The dog is now under observation at Kennedy Town.

Features of the current issue of the "Silver Wolf," the organ of the local Boy Scouts, are a description by the Commissioner (Rev. G. T. Waldegrave) of the part that Hongkong took in the Imperial jamboree at Wembley, exciting shooting trip incidents by "Makubela," "Camping at Hill-Maid Bay" by Acting T.L. Ng Wai of the 6th troop, a continuation of A. S. M. Braga's "Holiday in British Columbia" and proficiency badge and troop notes.

Among the passengers to sail for Europe by the s.s. "President Hayes" were Major R. R. Lewis and Miss L. E. Lewis.

Mr. E. C. Wood, who represents the Barber Asphalt Co. of Philadelphia, in China, arrived in Hongkong on the s.s. "President Cleveland" and expects to remain for one month.

The Rev. W. M. Turner left by the "President Jackson" which sailed for U.S.A. yesterday. A number of medical men who have been attending the conferences sailed by the same steamer.

The New Year Honours list contains the information that the King's Police Medal has been awarded to Inspector Timothy Murphy, of the Hongkong police.

It is announced in the "London Gazette" that the King has sanctioned appointment to the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England, as Honorary Knights of Grace, of Sir Robert Ho Tung, LL.D., and Mr. Ho Kom-tong.

Says the writer of "Truth's" weekly rubber article: "The market learned with very deep regret of the death in his seventy-third year of Sir John Anderson, the highly respected head of the great house of Guthrie and Co., Ltd. Sir John was an active figure in the commercial and public life of Singapore for over fifty years until he returned to Europe in 1912. He was one of the pioneers of the industry, and past-chairman of the Rubber Growers' Association. The industry owes much to his great ability, and his name will always be gratefully remembered for the part he played as one of its founders.

The appointment of Prince George to the "Hawkins" as midshipman is officially dated January 12, but he will not join her until towards the end of March. "Truth" observes that the China Station, on which the "Hawkins" is flagship, is the healthiest, the most interesting, and the most popular of all the overseas naval commands.

"The N. C. Daily News" understands the schooner "Tulbot," the vessel which brought such a large cargo of arms to Shanghai and whose master is now serving a sentence in Bilibid prison, has at last found new owners. After having been the subject of litigation which has occupied the attention of all from Peking to Washington, the Customs having waived their claim on her and the American Government having granted permission for a change of registry, a local company consisting of English, American and Chinese capitalists will put her on a run between Shanghai and the Malay plantations.

In accordance with a new law passed during the last sessions of the Philippine legislature, all secret organizations and mutual aid associations, beginning this year, will be subject to strict and thorough supervision and auditing with a view to protecting the interest of those connected and the public in general. According to the new law, it will now be compulsory for the organizations affected to annually submit books of accounts to the treasury for inspection, and for the treasury to conduct the annual auditing besides conducting such investigations from time to time which conditions may demand.

A crowd that collected at the Manila Opera House a fortnight ago were disappointed at finding its doors closed. The Italian Grand Opera Co., presumably that brought annually to Shanghai by Mr. A. Carpi—went on strike, it is reported in Manila papers, through lack of funds.

According to the Chinese press, the French Consul at Shanghai has been the first to adopt one of the stringent measures advocated by the Diplomatic Body for the defence of Shanghai. The papers say that the Consul has issued a notification that henceforth all defunct military leaders and disgruntled politicians without office shall not be permitted to reside in the Concession.

The need for the appointment of an Official Trustee in Singapore was emphatically referred to by Mr. Justice Barrett-Lennard in the Supreme Court when he disposed of the matter in which a Chinese defendant, who is the executor of an estate, refused to comply with an order instructing him to file his accounts. His lordship directed that a writ of attachment should be issued against the defendant.

A sum of \$5,300 has been added to the F.M.S. Estimates for structural alterations and additions to the new Federal Council Chamber.

Mr. J. W. Roland, Director of the Singapore Seventh Day Adventists' Mission, has informed the police of the loss of about \$900 from the Church in Penang Lane.

Father was reciting tit-bits of the news from the paper. "I see there's another centenarian dead," he said. "His young hopeful looked up from his holiday task." "I say," he gulped, "I hope it isn't Jack Hobbs."

Two hundred bluejackets of H.M.S. "Chatham" with three field guns made a route march through Rangoon on January 16, with the ship's band. Lieutenant Commander Flynn was in command and was accompanied by Mr. R. W. Franklin, D. S. P. Order, two mounted European sergeants heading the march with two Indian mounted men acting as rear-guard.

Much interest has been aroused in Northern theatrical circles over the forthcoming production of "The Black Rat," a play whose author is an old China hand. The piece is being presented by the Amateur Dramatic Society in Tientsin, with the following cast:—Mrs. Tisdall, Mr. R. A. Williams, Mrs. Bell, Miss Jean Bidwell, Mr. Farquhar, Mr. Gotsch, Mr. Dupree, Mr. Twyford Thomas, Mr. F. S. Jameson, Mr. Williams and Mr. Bell Irving. Apparently this is the first time the Tientsin A.D.S. has ever performed a play written by a resident of China, although in Peking an opera by a Russian musician, with libretto by Carol Lunt, is about to be produced.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin, the Mukden dictator, in view of the encouraging work done by his Russian mercenaries in the Mukden and Chihli campaign, has mapped out a plan for reinforcing this branch of his army, says a Japanese paper. He has instructed Capt. Gonelin, who is in his employ for the raising of Russian mercenaries, to raise several hundred more. Capt. Gonelin has already left Mukden for Fushun to invite 100 Russians and many more who are scattered in the towns along the Peking-Mukden Railway. It appears that Marshal Chang intends to station these Russians in Tientsin for a time.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

H.E. the Governor is to distribute the prizes at St. Joseph's College on February 11.

The marriage was solemnised on December 15, at Aberdeen, of Christopher William Dawson, Malayan Civil Service, to Mabel Agnes, daughter of Prof. R. G. McKerron, Aberdeen University.

Mr. Charles Friedenberg, a well known New York shipping man, is amongst the visitors to Hongkong in the str. "Beigenland."

The engagement is announced between Henry Fitzmaurice, M.B.E., his Majesty's Consul at Medan, Sumatra, son of the late Dr. Richard Fitzmaurice and of Mrs. Fitzmaurice, of Littlehampton, and Olga, only daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Seton-Browne, of De La Warr Court, Bexhill-on-Sea.

Mr. C. E. Koehler, manager of the Swedish Trading Co., Hongkong, arrived in Shanghai on the "Empress of Canada." Mr. Koehler who was accompanied by Mrs. Koehler, is on a business trip.

The death took place at the Victoria Hospital in Tientsin last week of Mr. Walter Eger, joint manager of Kaufman and Co., who contracted anthrax a few days before. Mr. Eger, who was a wool and fur expert, presumably contracted the disease when handling skins, and the attack being serious, he was admitted to the Victoria Hospital, but special treatment proved in vain.

Sub-Lieut. his Royal Highness Prince George, K.G., G.C.V.O., has been appointed to his Majesty's ship "Hawkins," to date January 15. The "Hawkins," which is at present undergoing refit at Hongkong, is the flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Allan F. Everett, Commander-in-Chief, China. Prince George's service on the China station will be for the normal period of two years. Should he, however, receive promotion in the meantime, and there is no vacancy in his ship, he would be appointed to some other vessel, either in home waters or abroad.

"It is notified in the local Boy Scouts' monthly paper that Patrol Leader Kan Man-hon, 13th Hongkong (Ying Wa) Troop, is commended by His Excellency the Governor, Chief Scout, Hongkong, for rendering prompt assistance to the Police in dealing with a street accident in Queen's Road West, on September 28 last.

Prince George, who is to leave England soon for a term of service in the East, and will probably go first to the China station, spent the Christmas holidays at Sandringham with the King and Queen.

Ellis H. Cutting, believed to have been the last survivor of the Light Brigade on its immortal charge at the battle of Balaklava, in the Crimean war, died at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on December 7 (the "Boston Post" reports), after being stricken with a paralytic stroke the second within a month. He was 87 years old. Mr. Cutting joined the British Army when he was 16.

Strait papers record the sudden death of Mr. W. J. Cartwright, manager at Seremban for Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., which occurred from heart failure following a game of tennis. Deceased, who leaves a widow and children, had been with the firm for a number of years, and was assistant manager in Singapore before taking charge at Seremban.

Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, was decorated with bamboos, evergreens and white flowers, when Miss Hilda Bertha Tyler, daughter of Mrs. Maud A. Tyler of London, became the bride of Mr. Albert Edward Draper, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Draper, of Worcester. The ceremony, which was fully choral, was solemnized by the Very Rev. Dean Symons. The bride, who was given away by Mr. John Franklin, looked charming in a dress of maroon velvet, caught up with sprays of orange blossoms and trimmed with white fox-fur. A pretty hat to match and a bouquet of white carnations and ferns completed the ensemble.

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## MAMMOTH SKY LINER.

Great Britain, after failures, half-hearted efforts, and long delay, has at last set to work in earnest to establish the world's greatest airship service.

Cardington, a village three miles from Bedford, is destined in the space of a few short years to be the largest air port in any continent. It will be the departure and arrival port of the Empire airship mail.

Mammoth airships, each carrying a hundred passengers and many tons of mails, will sail from Cardington on their separate services to the United States and Canada, and to South Africa.

Work has already been begun on the conversion of Cardington air station, on the preliminaries for the construction of a skyliner larger than anything that has ever taken the air.

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Branker, Director of Civil Aviation, is to start to-morrow on an aeroplane flight to India in order to survey the possibilities of a route via Turkey, Syria, and Mesopotamia, and to confer with the Indian Government regarding the establishment of the airship port in that country.

REMARKABLE FIGURES. Cardington, November 18.—Sir Samuel Hoare, the Air Minister, and Sir Philip Sassoon, the Parliamentary Under-Secretary, visited Cardington to-day to inspect the air station and its engineering shops.

"It is a matter of great satisfaction," said Sir Samuel Hoare to me, "that we are attempting seriously to develop airships. The importance of the developments which we are undertaking cannot be over-emphasised."

"There have been disasters to airships in the past, and we mean to make the fullest use of the experience gained from those unfortunate events. We mean to do everything humanly possible to eliminate danger in connection with airships."

Full details have been supplied to me of the new airship which is to be built at Cardington by the Air Ministry—H.M.A.S. R. 101. She will be designed for a dual purpose—as a passenger carrier and also for war service if emergency calls. She will be the first airship—her main hull being formed of stainless steel and her seven great propellers being also of steel to resist tropical conditions.

The following figures give some idea of the tremendous size of R. 101:—  
Length—720 feet.  
Height—140 feet.  
Diameter—130 feet.  
Number of engines—seven.  
Horse-power for each engine—600.  
Total horse-power—4,200.

Speed—seventy miles an hour.  
Capacity—5,000,000 cubic feet of gas.

R. 101 will consume no fewer than 1,750 lbs. of fuel an hour in her heavy gas oil engines, and she will be able to lift a weight of 155 tons, of which seventy-five tons will be available for fuel, water ballast, goods, and passengers. On a commercial run of 2,500 miles to Egypt twenty tons will be available for passengers and mails.

Before the building of the new ship can be begun it will be necessary to enlarge the existing airship shed at Cardington from 700 feet long to 812 feet, and to raise it in height from 110 feet to 157 feet. It will then be the largest building in the British Empire.

A contract for this work has been given by the Air Ministry. The assembling of the new airship will be started in the early summer of next year, and she will probably be finished and ready for her preliminary trials by the end of 1926. She will make her first trip to India in the early part of 1927, calling at Egypt on the way.

A gigantic mooring mast, 180 feet high—that is, taller than the Nelson column in Trafalgar-square—is one of the first essentials to the air port which will be built at Cardington early next year. It will be a giant structure of lattice steel, carrying lifts for the loading of passengers and cargo aboard the air liners, winding gear for hauling a ship to her rigid anchorage at the masthead, and pipe lines for refuelling and watering a ship.

Passengers will go aboard R. 101 or her sister vessels from a circular railed platform at the masthead, crossing from mast to

## MYSTERY LETTER.

## A DEAD MAN'S SECRET.

## STRANGE INQUEST STORY.

"There appears to be more behind this case than I can get at," said Mr. Oswald, the West London Coroner, at a Chelsea inquest after he had read a letter written by a dead man.

"A peculiar letter, so incoherent that it would afford little clue. He talked of the Hobbs case in connection with 'Mr. A.' and he talked of money," was the Coroner's comment on the letter.

The dead man was John Samuel Hocking (40), a commission agent of Sydney Street, Chelsea, who was found with his head in a gas oven.

The letter, which was read by the Coroner, could only be partly deciphered, and ran as follows:

To the English lady—This is impossible to explain. Filthy, so cruel, awful, so terrible.

The villain really lath. . . . Re case of Mrs. J. I do assure the whole thing a frame-up. It is impossible to surmise unless it would not agree. . . . I know nothing of this affair until I came back and repaid Hobbs for loan, also paid by the presents.

I cannot conceive the filth of the whole affair. . . . Only that of gibe and filth. I assure you that I always pay my liabilities to every one. This rotten affair, the broken-hearted villain. The whole affair is rotten.

Mrs. Hocking, the widow, replying to the Coroner, said she did not know whether her husband had been losing money of late, but he appeared worried. She discovered him lying in the gully with his head in the gas oven.

The Coroner remarked that he supposed the letter referred to the Hobbs case. He asked the widow whether her husband knew Hobbs.

Mrs. Hocking—I do not know.

Edith Fountain Gilmore, formerly the wife of a man of independent means, said that she lived at the same address. She did not notice anything unusual in Mr. Hocking's manner, but as he used to "pace" about his room at night, she assumed that he was a victim of insomnia.

A verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind" was returned.

airship by way of a covered gangway.

When R. 101 is used for commercial purposes she will have accommodation for one hundred passengers, sleeping in cosy, two-birth cabins, and with dining, recreation, and smoking quarters on a separate deck. Her crew will number four officers and fifty men.

Normally the ship will operate on all her journeys from the mooring mast, only going into dock in the shed when any repair is necessary.

A mooring mast similar to that at Cardington is to be put up on ground already selected in Egypt and another in India. There will be a terminal repair shed also in India.

The following will be the journey times of R. 101 on her Empire flights:—

Egypt 21 days.  
India 5 to 6 days.  
Australia 10 days.  
Cape Town 51 days.  
Canton 3 days.

It will be possible to cover the return journey from New York to Cardington in forty-eight hours. When R. 101, for any purpose, is on duty with the British fleet she will be able to remain at sea for three weeks if necessary.

The plan for the landing of airship passengers at Cardington will be so perfect that I am assured, a ship will be brought alongside the mast and the passengers disembarked within ten minutes after the ship comes above the aerodrome and drops her steel mooring cable from a height of 1,000 feet.

Careful experimental work is being carried out to ensure that R. 101 and her sister ship R. 100—which is to be built by Messrs. Vickers at Howden, in York-shire—will be completely safe for passengers and crew; as, safe, indeed, as the ordinary express train.

Two existing British airships—R. 33 at Cardington and R. 36 at Fulham, Norfolk—are now being reconditioned and refitted for flights next year to carry out aerodynamic tests.

R. 36 is to fly to Egypt in the summer of next year in order that continuous records may be obtained of metal stresses in long-distance flights in tropical countries.

Daily Express Special Corr.

## LOCAL AMUSEMENTS.

## "A WOMAN OF PARIS."

## THE CORONET'S BIG PICTURE.

In the filming of "A Woman of Paris," now being shown to bumper houses at the Coronet, his first serious picture, Charles Chaplin has paid particular attention to the personnel of the cast and his production staff, extreme care in this direction being more vital than usual because of the fact that Mr. Chaplin does not personally appear in the picture, though it has been written and directed by him.

In selecting Edna Purviance for the featured role, Mr. Chaplin was not only rewarding that sterling actress for her work with him through eight years of making comedy pictures, but he is capitalising an innate dramatic ability that Miss Purviance had more than once demonstrated in the years of their association.

As Pierre Revel, the French epicurean, gentleman, and pagan, Adolphe Menjou was decided upon after a thorough canvass of the entire field of actors of this type. Mr. Menjou is not only perfectly suited to the part as to type, but is a Frenchman by descent, and the Continental manner required in the part is a definite characteristic.

Mr. Menjou, who was born in Pau, France, went to America at the age of four. He is a graduate of Cornell University, where he studied his dramatic career. During the war he returned to France to enlist in the French army, and fought there with many honours. After the war he returned to America, and began his work in pictures in California.

"THE MASTER MIND."

AT THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Students of the drama, generally conceded to be one of the most fascinating of all arts, will be given an unusual opportunity to "study" new phases of the merely screen-odd "exact science" of visualization of conveying the workings of a human mind without the aid of words, when Lionel Barrymore is shown in "The Master Mind," his latest photoplay creation, which will be exhibited at the Queen's Theatre to-day. Until the advent of the silver screen as a medium for imparting entertaining knowledge of life, the study of the histrionic art was considerably limited, for it encompassed only the things which could be done on a stage of comparatively small dimensions. Now, thanks to the motion picture camera, the locale of a dramatic or comedy situation is almost unlimited and simultaneously is thus provided, possibilities of expanded action such as goes a long distance in augmenting the importance of make-believe.

The "Manilla Vaudeville Co." is the added attraction at this theatre, and during the run of the picture "The Master Mind" it will give an entirely new programme of songs and comedy.

Sir John Jordan writes in a Home paper: "The death of Mr. H. F. Brady makes the first breach in a batch of four student interpreters who went out to China in the year 1876, and whose periods of active service in that country amounted in the aggregate to 150 years. A thoroughly genial and lovable Irishman, Brady was the life and soul of our party during our student days in Peking, and won for himself a place in the affectionate regard of his colleagues which lasted throughout life. It has been given to few of us to make so many and such staunch friendships in China and to retain them fresh during years of retirement at home. As a Consul Mr. Brady did much quiet and useful work in promoting improvements at the various ports at which he was stationed, and at least one monument of an enduring nature will serve to perpetuate his memory—the acquisition of the site of Kuling—in which, as H.B.M. Consul at Kiating, he took an active and decisive part. He and I have been near neighbours in this London suburb of Putney for the past four years, and our relations have been as intimate as they were in our far-off student days. To his widow, a sister of Sir Walter Hillier, and to his son, a solicitor in London, all who remember them in China will, I feel sure, extend their sincere sympathy in their sudden bereavement."

## MAIL VAN AND TRAMCAR.

## COLLISION CAUSED BY COOLIE TRUCK.

A collision occurred at noon yesterday between a Post Office motor mail van and a tramcar at the bend where the road turns into Praya East from Arsenal Street. The accident is attributed to a coolie truck trying to cut in between the van and the tramcar.

The front glass screen of the tramcar was smashed, and the mail van sustained damage to the roof and paint work.

The accident fortunately was not attended with any injury to the drivers of the vehicles or the passengers.

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

## Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 3.—Coronet Theatre; "A Woman of Paris."

February 3.—Star Theatre; "Turnout" and Majord Company.

February 3.—World Theatre; "Over the Hill."

February 3.—Queen's Theatre; "The Master Mind" and the Manilla Vaudeville Co.

February 3.—Victoria Diocesan Association Concert, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6.30 p.m.

February 10.—Sir Harry Lauder, Theatre Royal.

February 25, 26, 27 and 28.—H.K. A.C.C. presents the great farcical comedy, "French Leave," at Theatre Royal.

SOCIAL.  
February 5.—Musical at Helena May Institute, 6.30 p.m.

February 6 & 21.—Peak Club, fortnightly dances, 9.15 p.m.

February 7.—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.

February 10.—Annual ball of Engineers and Shipbuilders, at City Hall.

February 28.—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.

SPORT.  
February 16-17-18-21.—Hongkong Jockey Club Annual Race Meetings.

PUBLIC AUCTION.  
February 5.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.  
February 14.—Sixth meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at 10 Des Voeux Road, 3 p.m.

February 19.—One hundred and fifth meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., at 4A Des Voeux Road, noon.

February 10.—Thirty-seventh meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., noon.

February 21.—Yearly meeting of shareholders of the H.K. and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at City Hall, 11.30 a.m.

OTHER MEETINGS.  
February 4.—"Nirvana" is the subject of the lecture at the H.K. Lodge Theosophical Society, 16 Queen's Road, 5.45 p.m.

February 5.—General meeting of members of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, in the boardroom of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 5.15 p.m.

February 9.—Annual meeting of Kowloon Residents' Association in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, 6 p.m.

February 10.—Extraordinary meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club, Hongkong Club Annex, 5.30 p.m.

FLOWER SHOW.  
March 5.—Annual Flower Show, under the auspices of the Hongkong Horticultural Society.

It is generally conceded, writes a correspondent, that the hydra exists only in Greek mythology as a monster, but the recent flood brought to light a snake with two heads which was found in a house on Queen Road occupied by Mr. H. Eber, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. It appears that this water rose to such a height in this locality that scarcely a house was immune from a visitation by rats and snakes of all kinds. It is a pity though that the double-headed snake was not kept for examination after it had been killed, for this is perhaps the first and only instance of such a reptile having been seen in these parts.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

## THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## RACE MEETING 1925.

February 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st.

TICKETS of admission to the Public Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh or at the Gate. Price—\$3.00 per day.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform \$1.00 per day.

No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Treasurers, Hongkong, February 2nd, 1925.

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MEMBERS' Brides of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

C. B. BROWN, Secretary, Hongkong, February 2nd, 1925.

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The Stewards request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Races.

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PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Buildings. No Servants will be allowed inside the Enclosure of the Race Course during Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS.

These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit them and holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

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MEMBERS have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Buildings on or before Saturday the 14th of February, 1925.—Price \$10.00 per day or \$30.00 for the Meeting.

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E. W. LATIE, Agent, Hongkong, 2nd February, 1925.

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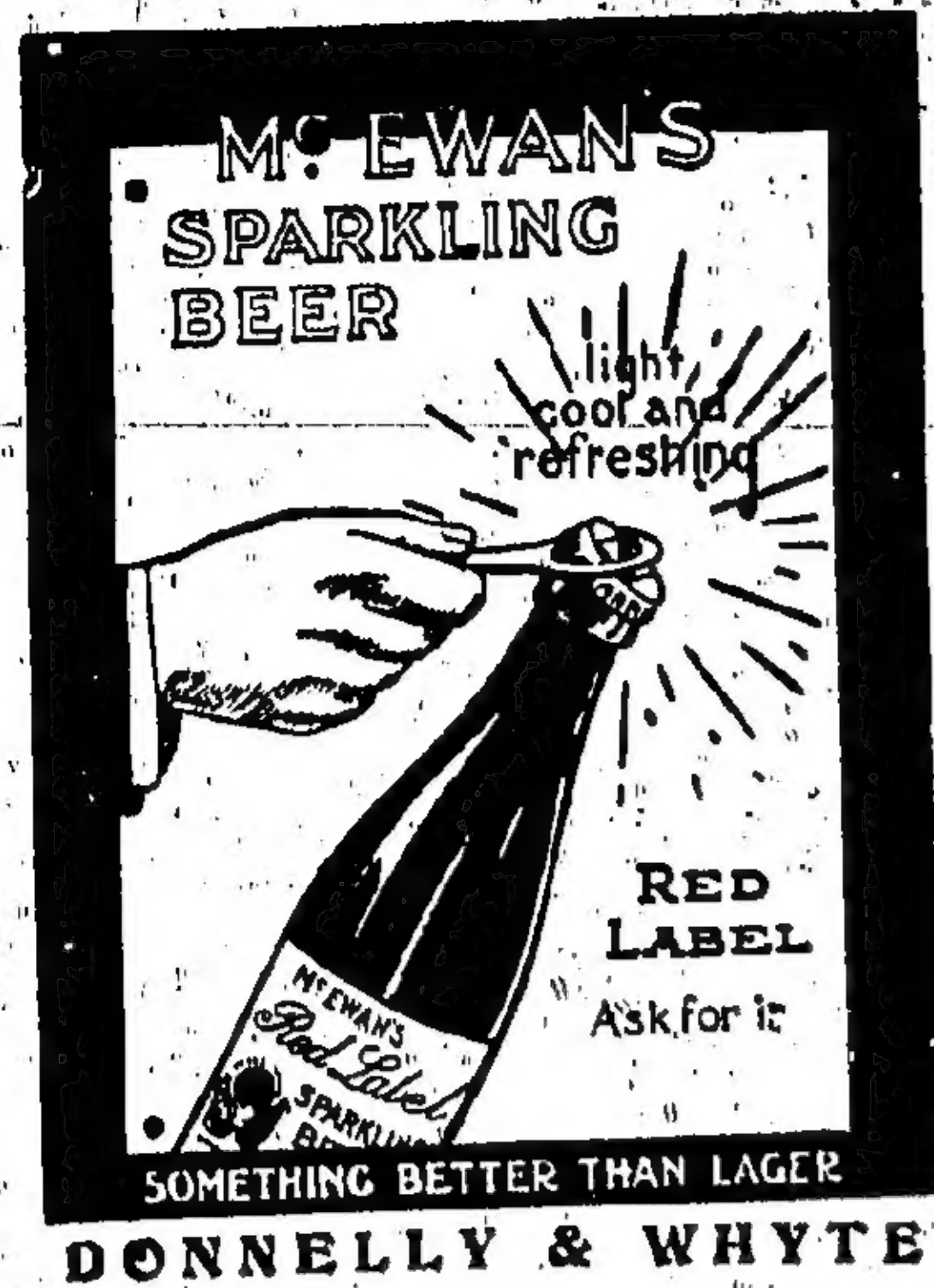
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## PEACE AWARD FOR BRITISH PEER.



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Lord and Lady Robert Cecil went to America, the former to receive the \$25,000 Woodrow Wilson Peace Award, which the Woodrow Wilson Foundation presented to him in New York on the birthday anniversary of the late President. Lord Robert Cecil was adjudged the person who, during the past year, achieved the most in efforts to end war.

## Japan Seeks Peace.



PREMIER KATO.

A direct denial that Japan is preparing for war has been made by Premier Kato at Tokyo. Japan is not contemplating war with any country, least of all with America which many times has given "complete evidence of the readiness of her friendship for Japan," he declared.

## ACTRESS MARRIED.



CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD, WIFE.

Miss Charlotte Greenwood, star of numerous musical successes of recent years, has been married to Martin Brookes, music composer, who wrote some of the hits of the comedy in which she is being featured.

## "FIRST LADY" PLAYS ROLE OF SANTA CLAUS.



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of America's President, proved a capable Santa Claus at a community Christmas party in a Washington theatre. Poor youngsters of the capital received numerous gifts distributed through the Salvation Army to needy families.

## FIGURES IN THE NEWS SPOTLIGHT.



Mrs. Leonard K. Rhinelandter & Robert R. Brindell.  
M. Bonnet & Joe Weber.

Mrs. Leonard Kip Rhinelandter, whose marriage to a multi-millionaire New York social favourite created a sensation, has asked for \$50 a month as alimony and \$1,000 for counsel fees from her husband whose annulment action has been filed at White Plains. She informed the Supreme Court that birth records for which she has sent to England and the West Indies will prove that she comes of white folk, contrary to Rhinelandter's assertion that she is coloured. Robert Brindell, head of the Building Trades Council, who served a prison term of almost four years because of the alleged extortion of \$200,000 from builders, has been released on parole from prison, but faces a charge of falsifying his income tax return. He was arrested as he stepped out of prison, but was allowed bail and was permitted to go to his home. Lieutenant Oakley Kelly, first cross-country flier, who dropped from sight with Lieutenant H. C. Miller on a trip from Vancouver to San Francisco, has turned up safely at Crissy Field, California, with the explanation that he and his companion were forced to land through engine trouble. Fear had been felt for the fliers' safety. Pessimistic and hopeful by turns, Norman Selby—"Kid" McCoy in the heyday of his amazing pugilistic career—awaited the decision of the jury which had heard evidence in the charge preferred against him of murdering Mrs. Theresa Mors. Word that the jury stood 11 to 1—the dissenter being a woman—for acquittal, heartened McCoy.

## FROM STAGE TO THE SCREEN.



JOE WEBER & LEW FIELDS.

Joe Weber and Lew Fields, famous old comedians, have been re-united again, this time in Los Angeles, where they are to essay to climb the ladder of film fame. Their first production will be "Friendly Enemies," their old stage success. Lucille Lee Stewart, sister of Anita Stewart, will be their leading lady. Other film adaptations of their old time stage success are to follow.

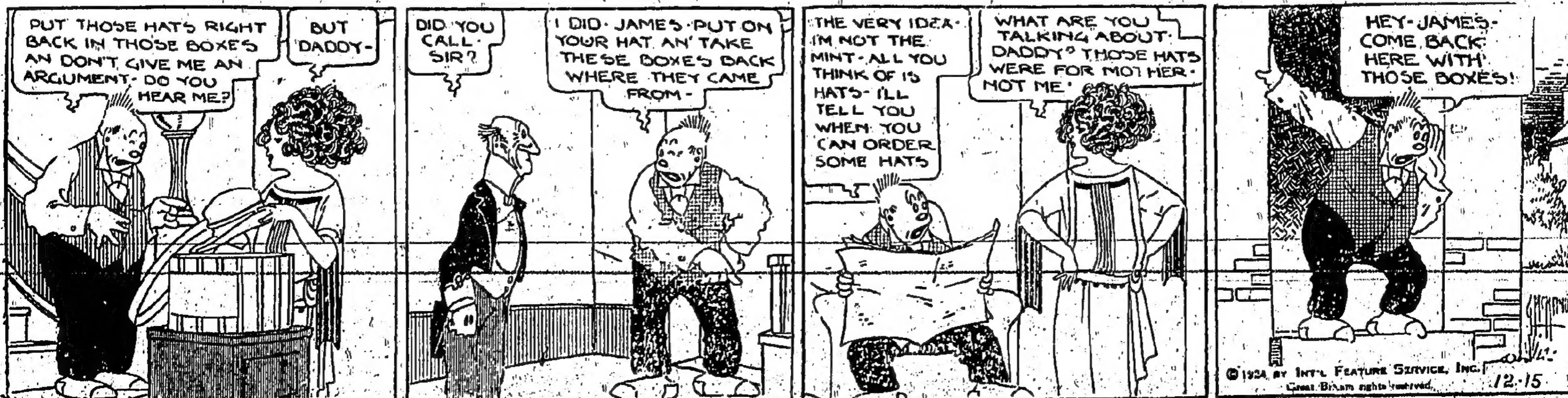
## French Flier.



M. BONNET.

M. Bonnet, noted French aviator, has been credited with a world's speed record of 280 miles an hour, bettering the mark of 268 miles set by Lieut. Williams, the American aviator. His reward is a share in the prize of 200,000 francs awarded by the French Air Ministry for a new speed record.

## ROUNDING UP FATHER.



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**WORLD OF SPORT.****FOOTBALL.****ENGLISH CUP DRAW.****THIRD ROUND.**

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, February 2.

The draw for the third round of  
the English Cup, to be played in  
February 21, resulted—

Southampton v. Bradford City

Liverpool v. Birmingham

Notts County v. Cardiff

W. Bromwich v. Aston Villa

Sheffield U. v. Sunderland or  
EvertonTottenham H. v. Blackburn or  
Bolton W.

Hull v. Newcastle U.

West Ham v. Bradford or  
Blackpool**First League.**In the first division of the  
League Burnley beat Birmingham  
by three goals to two.**Second League.**In the Second League Port Vale  
defeated Bradford City by one  
goal to nil.**RUGBY FOOTBALL.****ENGLAND v. THE REST.**The keenly anticipated trial  
match between England and the  
Rest was played at Twickenham  
on December 20. The result was  
a disappointment, some of the  
players who have so ably repre-  
sented England in the past failing  
to uphold their reputations. This  
was so evident that changes were  
made at half time, some of the  
Rest men, taking places of others  
on the all England team. The  
final score read 20 to 14 in favour  
of the Rest. As can well be  
imagined, this has added to the  
difficulties of the Selection Com-  
mittee, it being obvious that big  
changes would be necessary.Rugby, like other pastimes, pro-  
vide seasons when a National  
team seems to fit like the parts of  
a machine. Then comes a change,  
the retirement of a few players,  
or the loss of form in others,  
throwing the whole side out of  
gear.It is much to be feared that the  
English XV. of this season will  
not prove quite up to the high  
standard of the sides which have  
been so successful in the Inter-  
national series of recent years.Until December 20, many good  
judges thought England would  
give New Zealand a very hard  
fight for supremacy, but now  
there will be few real judges who  
can honestly think there is any  
likelihood of the All Blacks losing  
their unbeaten record. One can-  
not but wish "the powers that be"  
had taken steps to find out Eng-  
land's best side some weeks  
before, so that it would have been  
possible to arrange a few trial  
matches and so improve the  
understanding and combination  
among the players. Some of the  
New Zealand players were on-  
lookers at Twickenham on Decem-  
ber 20 and they must now be  
feeling easier in mind than before  
the match. One result of the  
match was to satisfy the selectors  
that J. Brough, of Cumberland, is  
the best full-back and he has been  
promoted from the Rest into Eng-  
land side. R. H. Hamilton  
Wicks, V. C. Davies and R. L.  
Raymond, of the Rest side, also  
go up. L. J. Corbett completing  
the three-quarter line.Another change is that H. J.  
Kittermaster has been preferred  
to Myers, and the Oxonian and  
A. T. Young, of Cambridge, will  
be the half-backs against the New  
Zealanders. It is fortunate that  
England will have a fine lot of  
forwards, and a great deal will  
depend on how they shape  
against their keen and expert  
rivals. It may be added that  
Raymond is from Australia, and  
whilst it is natural that he should  
represent his "Varsity" (Oxford)  
it hardly seems fitting to call on  
an overseas man to do duty for  
England.**BILLIARDS.**

NEWMAN v. SMITH.

Newman and Smith both won  
their matches ending on Decem-  
ber 20. The former was con-  
ceding Inmann 4,000 points in  
16,000 and the champion finally  
prevailed by 564, after a very in-  
teresting game. Smith had  
Reece as his opponent, the Old-  
ham man being in receipt of 5,000  
points in 28,000 up. Although  
Reece held his own very well dur-  
ing the first half of the match,  
Smith easily dominated the pro-  
ceedings towards the end, his  
play on the final day being won-  
derful.In the afternoon he returned an  
average of 187, whilst in the  
evening he did better still by scor-  
ing his points in rapid fashion.  
He had one break of 479, whilst  
he ran to game with an unfinished  
effort of 286, his average being  
250 for each complete break.  
This Smith gained a great win by  
8,449 points, truly a fine perfor-  
mance.**LAWN TENNIS.****CLIPPING THE WINGS OF  
PLAYER-WRITERS.**The decision of the executive  
committee of the United States  
Lawn Tennis association to clip  
the wings of the "player-writer"  
fraternity by making it practically  
impossible for them to market  
their literary wares will be hailed  
with delight, not only by the great  
body of amateur tennis players, but  
by the sports writers as well, says  
a contributor to a Manila paper.To the latter this constant flood of  
"signed stuff" by men who thus  
give daily proof that as writers they  
are great tennis players has long  
been looked upon as a menace, par-  
ticularly because it undermined their  
means of making a living, but most-  
ly because it cheapened their profes-  
sion.Witness the signed stuff by such  
noted writers as Babe Ruth and  
Jack Dempsey that appears regular-  
ly in certain newspapers. Noted  
writers, indeed! The truth is that  
it is either one of those birds, particu-  
larly Dempsey, tried to so much as  
write his own name the mental  
strain involved would leave him  
weak and helpless for several days.In the face of this we have whole  
columns of guff under their signa-  
tures. Why otherwise intelligent  
editors will persist in foisting this  
kind of literary slop on their readers  
always has been a mystery, and the  
only plausible explanation is that  
these editors, like a great many of  
their readers, have become so over-  
whelmed by the free advertising  
lavished upon these athletes that  
they have come to regard them as  
super-men, and to believe that the  
very mention of their names is  
sufficient to send the reading public  
into trances of delight.There is no doubt that the tennis  
player who writes for pay is just  
as much a professional as the man  
who gives instruction in the game,  
or plays for cash considerations.Tilden prattles about writing for the  
love of the game, and because he  
wants to increase interest in tennis.  
He does nothing of the kind. The  
reason he writes for the newspapers  
is because the newspapers pay him  
to do so, and no amount of alibi  
on his part will explain that truth  
away. Therefore, Mr. Tilden should  
either quit writing tennis for  
money, or quit playing tennis as an  
amateur.**CRICKET.****M. JOEL'S XI.****DRAWN MATCH AT EAST  
LONDON.**

(Reuter's Service.)

EAST LONDON February 2.

The two-day match between the  
Border team and Mr. "Solly"  
Joel's Eleven resulted in a draw.The Border team scored 200 runs  
in their first innings. Parker took  
five wickets for 39 runs.Mr. Joel's XI. scored 311 runs  
for four wickets, when they de-  
clared. MacBryan contributed 114  
runs.In their second innings the Border  
scored 107 runs for five wickets.  
Jameson took three wickets for 30  
runs.**M.C.C. BEAT TASMANIA.**

Hobart, February 2.

In fine weather, and before a  
good attendance, the Marylebone  
Cricket Club brought their match  
with Tasmania to an end, winning  
by an innings and 135 runs.Tasmania scored 224 in their  
second innings, the principal  
scorers being Myers (40) and  
Bennett (38). Howell took 6  
wickets for 96 and Freeman 3 for  
53.—Reuter.**BOXING.****NEW FIELD TO BE TAPPED  
AT HOME.**Although the day of the very  
big purse appears to be dead in  
Britain, at any rate for the time,  
there are promoters who evidently  
think the game worth while.A recent statement makes it  
appear that a well-known pro-  
moter intends to tap another field  
by securing a building in the West  
End of London for boxing bouts.The present plan is to hire a  
building for special occasions, the  
Albert Hall, Olympia and Holland  
Hall, being the favoured venues.The recognised permanent boxing  
halls, apart from the National  
Sporting Club at Covent Garden,  
are situated mainly in the east  
and south-east of London. The  
public will support attractive  
matches, but prices must be  
reasonable and boxers must be  
prepared to show their skill for a  
fair purse.The value of a real punch was  
again shown at the Ring in mail  
week when G. Carney, of London,  
met A. Johnson, of Manchester.The latter easily outboxed the  
Londoner and for three rounds  
dominated the situation. In the  
next round, Carney realised that  
he must make a fight of it and dis-  
regarding his rival's blows, he  
bored in and got in a few telling  
punches. In the next round  
Johnson seemed to have lost some  
of his speed and Carney countered  
a lead by smashing his right to  
the jaw. Johnson dropped and  
was quite unable to rise within  
the allotted ten seconds, the  
Barnetwater welter-weight thus  
gaining a surprising win, after he  
himself had been heavily out in the  
second round.**RACING.****SPRING HANDICAPS AT  
HOME.**The Spring Handicap entries  
are good in number and quality.There are 73 nominations for the  
Lincolnshire against 75 last year.The weights were to be published  
on January 29 and the acceptance  
on February 4.The Lincolnshire entries include  
Evander, last year's second, and  
Grave Fairy, last year's third.Although Sir Galahad III. has not  
been entered, no fewer than nine  
French trained horses have been  
nominated. The best class of  
French candidates is represented  
by Tapin, who won the French  
Two Thousand Guineas last spring.Captain John, who won the race  
last spring with Sir Galahad III.,  
has entered Black Prince, about  
whom there have been very  
favourable reports. Mr. Macomber,  
in addition to entering several  
French trained horses, has also  
entered Parth, the Jubilee winner,  
who would have a good chance  
even underweight. Mr. Joel  
has entered five horses, viz.,  
Greenfire, Pondoland, Pasha,  
Fando and Evander. The other  
entries include, Dumas, Dawson  
City and Dorsey.Class is as usual well represented  
in the City and Suburban, for  
the entry includes the Derby winner  
Savonino, Pharos, Verdict,  
Twelve Pointer, Parth, Conductor  
and Tapin.There is also a brilliant array of  
talent in the Ascot Gold Cup,  
which the Frenchmen lifted last  
year with Massine. This year the  
French entries seem likely to be  
held safe by such performers as  
Savonino, St. Germans, Bright  
Knight, Easter Monarch, Picaaron,  
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